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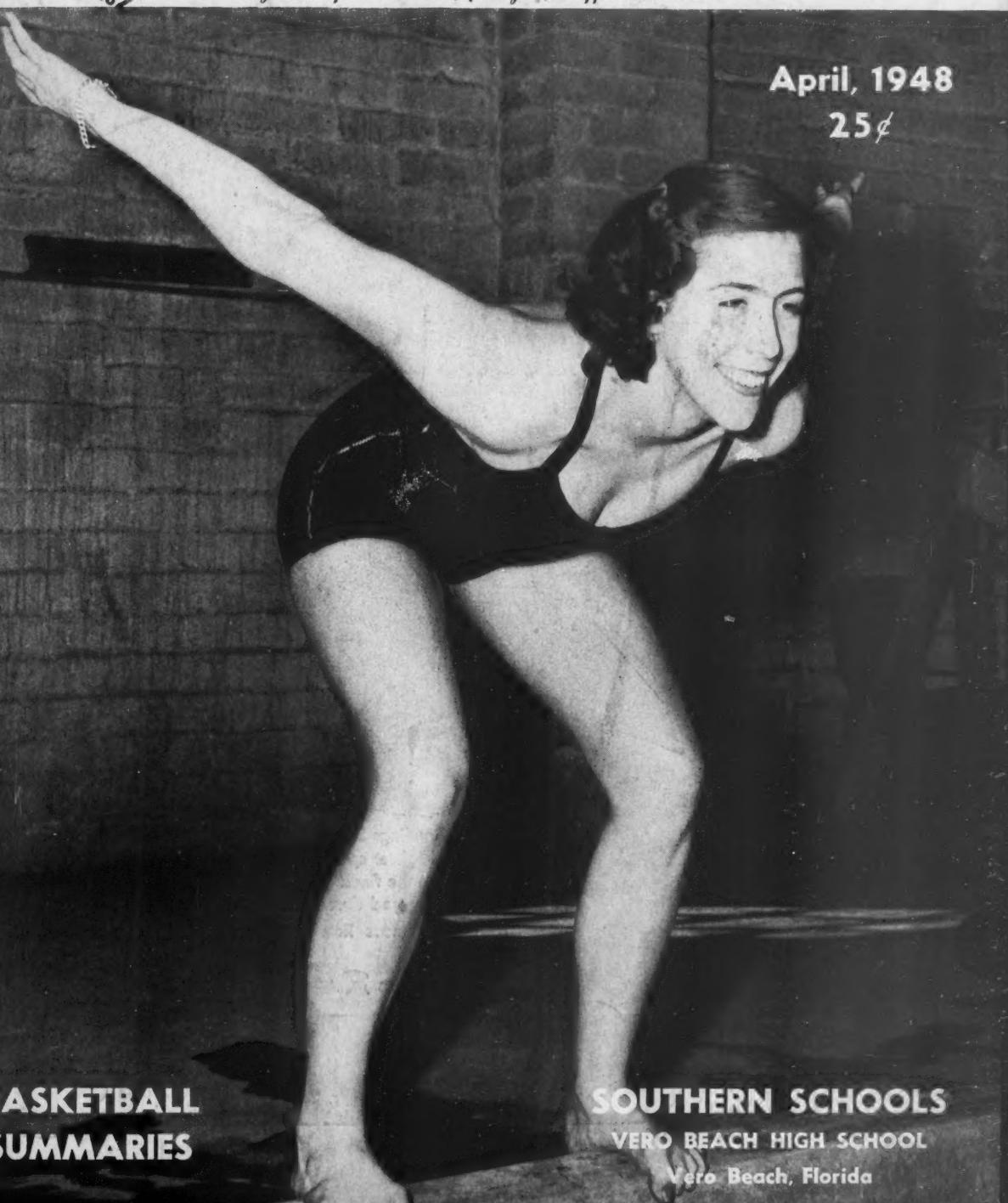
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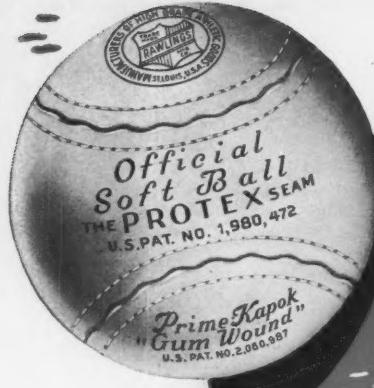
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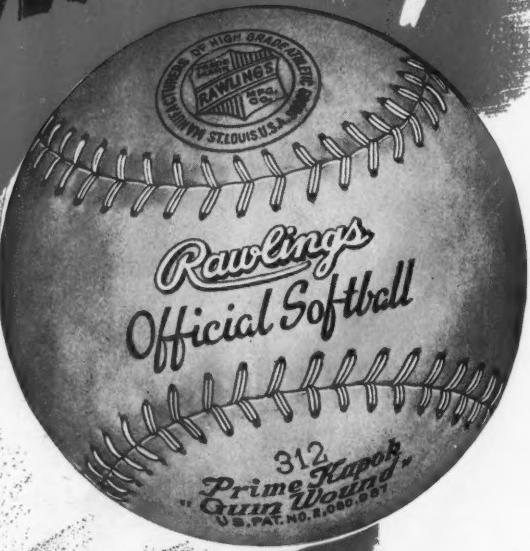


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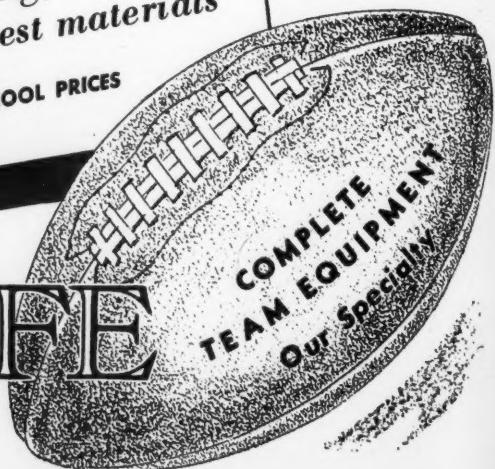
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## SOUTHERN SCHOOLS

### VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

#### Vero Beach, Florida

By WILLARD C. CHINN, Principal

Vero Beach, a community of somewhat over 5,000 people, is situated on the Atlantic Ocean and the Indian River about midway of the Florida peninsula. Principal industries are the tourist business, citrus fruit (being located in the heart of the world-famous Indian River fruit area) truck farming and grazing in the back country. The city is clean, beautiful, and prosperous, and is populated largely with a high class of citizenry from other areas of the United States who have chosen this attractive little city for their home.

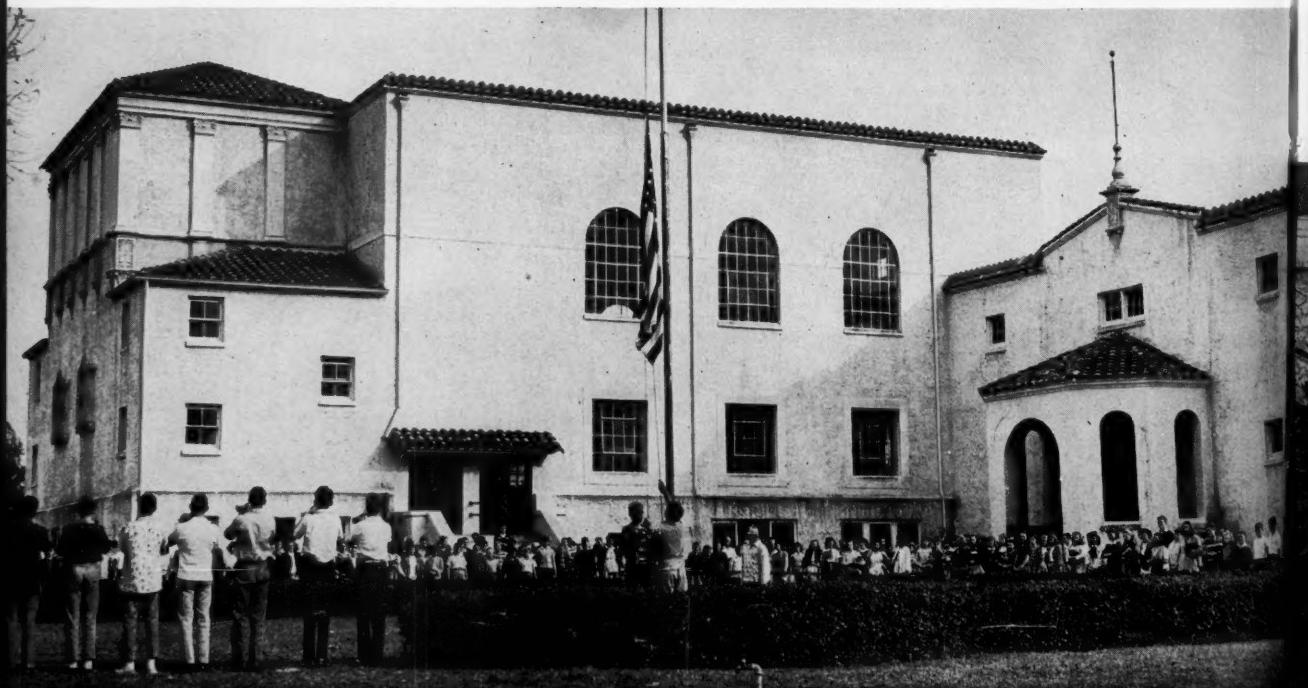
The Vero Beach High School, as is the case with a majority of the high schools in Florida, is a six-year school encompassing grades 7 through 12. The

total enrollment is 546, with 269 pupils in the senior high school. Twenty-four teachers make up the faculty.

In this article it is not intended to dwell on the merits of the school or the community but rather to point out how, by careful planning and community cooperation and interest, a comprehensive and effective athletic program has been developed in the high school which not only has a wholesome effect on the student body, but on the community as well. Considering the size of the school and community the athletic developments of the past few years have been remarkable.

Let us consider the picture just six short years

#### VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING



ago. Football and basketball were the only sports on the program; in these sports considerable success was achieved although no major championships had been won. Although the teams always gave a fine account of themselves, participation was at a minimum; scarcely two teams out for football and fewer than fifteen boys contesting for places on the basketball team. One coach handled all of the chores in both sports. There was no compulsory physical education program in the schools and along the developmental line the only effort being made was the sponsorship of a mid-geat football team, first by one of the local churches, and later by the Rotary Club. This was a splendid effort but had its shortcomings in that there was a shortage of equipment and of leadership. Finances were at a low ebb, and an annual task of the coach was to walk the pavements soliciting funds to carry on an athletic program. In the year 1941, the total receipts from all athletics totaled less than fifteen hundred dollars.

The first step in the athletic new deal was the incorporation of compulsory physical education into the school. The program was a functional one in which games and skills were taught and developed. Much interest was evidenced in a short time and soon it was the policy of the school to leave basketballs and footballs in an unlocked box on the school playground for use by pupils after school hours and on Saturday. The use these balls received was gratifying and our confidence in the



**VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL MAJORETTES**  
Left to right: Mary Etters, Beverly Gooding, Janice Kroegel, Gladys Holmes, Jean Law, Louise McClellan.

honesty of the community was justified. This certainly was not a major factor, but it undoubtedly did have some bearing on the fact that a well-coached team from this school won the State basketball championship in 1944. Harold Mossey was the coach.

The next forward step was taken in assuming the responsibility for junior football by the school itself, providing coaching and an abundance of good equipment for these youngsters. Almost overnight the program boomed, and last Fall eighty or more boys, 120 pounds and under (many were considerably under), were fielded in this division alone. From sixty to seventy of these lads were dressed for each inter-school game played and it certainly was a heart-stirring sight to see such a squad trot out on the field. Visions of the future!

Soon the athletic program was expanded; baseball was added, then track, and finally several minor sports, including golf, tennis, and swimming. To accomplish this expansion coaches were added and four men now divide the responsibility. When it was found impossible to carry on a complete seven-sport program in the Indian River Conference because other teams did not field teams in these sports, we affiliated with a larger conference, the Gulf Stream Conference where there was competition aplenty.

The development of junior teams as feeders has been extended to other sports and now we have teams formed in baseball and basketball for the younger, lighter fellows.

Let's see what dividends have been paid on this investment: Last Fall over 130 boys were in football

#### CHEER LEADERS, VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

Front row, left to right: Mary Miller, Hilda Lee Graham, Lillian McCorkle, Jean Peters, Pat King, Henrietta MacConnell.  
Back row, left to right: Troy Yates, Sherrel Lewis, Ellen Avis, Lena Walker, Dorothy Eubanks, Pat Ruth, Pat Smith.



uniforms and ninety percent of the boys stayed to the end. Fifty boys reported for varsity basketball this season and at least that many more for the junior teams. This, it seems to me, overshadows all other accomplishments and is, undoubtedly, responsible in a large degree for many of our other gains. Our city has become athletic minded as evidenced by a powerful booster organization made up of parents and friends, known as the Indian Chiefs. This organization sponsors the annual banquets and helps in many other ways. The public is interested too, as shown by an athletic income this year from sale of admissions just short of twelve thousand dollars as compared with the meager fifteen hundred taken in 1941. Not only are we able to equip more boys, but the quality of the equipment provides greater assurance against injury. Fifty three boys have indicated their intention of coming out for spring football practice and more are sure to be out when practice begins.

Success? All that one could ask for without having one's head turned. In football a string of 19 victories out of 20 games in a two year period is the record compiled by the team under head coach H. L. Wesson. This record gave us an undisputed Conference championship in 1946 as well as a claim to the mythical State Championship. The past season, our first in the powerful Gulf Stream Conference which includes schools several times our size, we finished second with a single loss. Wesson's charges have come to be respected in the prep circles of the State.

In basketball, the Indian River Conference championship was won in 1946, and the Indians were co-champions in 1947. In 1944 the team went on to win the district and the State Championships. Coach Ed Markel's quintet has its eyes set on more tournament championships this year and prospects are rosy for the future with plenty of material coming up.

In Track the conference championships were won decisively in 1946 and 1947. No outstanding records have been made to date in the minor sports but participation has been good and results are sure to come.

This is intended to be a success story of a school and a community. As this article goes to press, work will have begun on a new athletic stadium adjacent to the school. The finest type of lighting will be provided, a running track with a 220

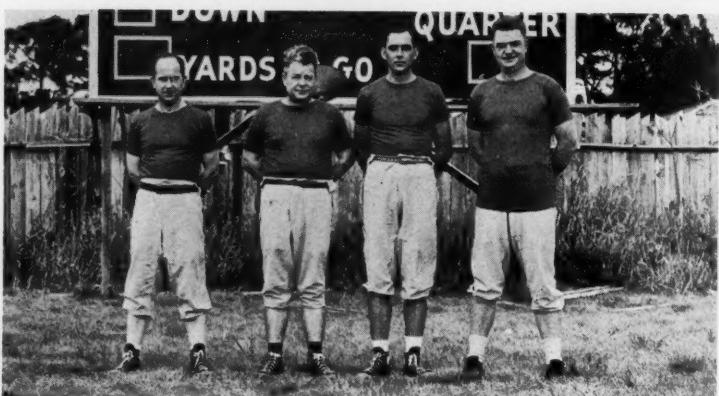


**LETTER MEN'S CLUB**

Front, left to right: Chas. Smith, Billy Howard, Cecil Calhoun, Don McGinley, John Coe, Bill Teate, Charlie Roberts, Dickie Anderson, Peter MacWilliam, Cecil Cason, Albert Coleman, Bill Eubanks. Second row, left to right: Wendell Harris, Jamie Buckingham, Jack Smith, Clyde Scent, Chuck Dell, David Berggren, David Roddenberry, Bill Rymer, Pat Ercolin, Warren Rice, Carl Elliott. Third row, left to right: Coach H. C. Wesson, Everett Randall, Harry Holman, Art Snyder, Richard Brown, Sam McCall, David Prange, Bob Lewis, Bob Bass, Kenneth Metz, Frank Barrett, Tam Moody, Carl Green.



**VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL BAND**



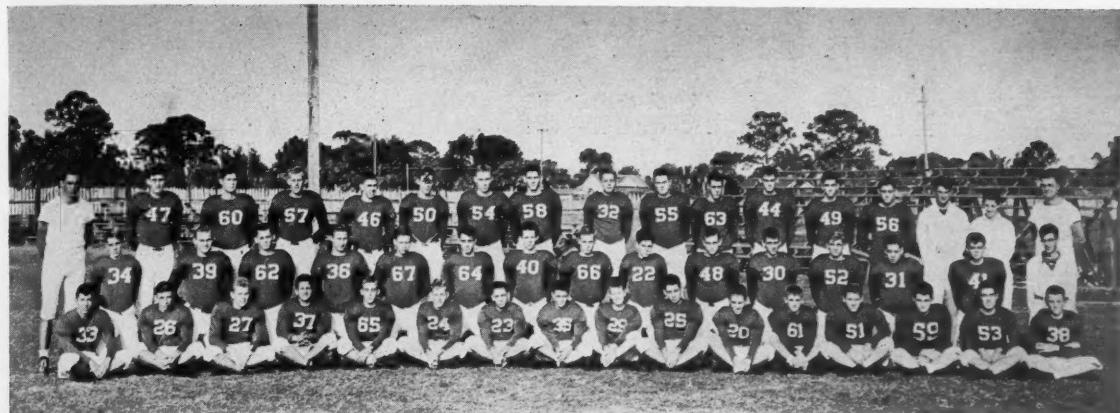
**COACHING STAFF, VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL**

Left to right: L. E. Gover, Asst. Coach; J. A. Thompson, Head Basketball Coach; Midget Football Coach; E. J. Markel, Head Basketball Coach, Asst. Football Coach; H. L. Wesson, Head Coach.

yard straightaway will be incorporated in the plan, and a concrete and steel stand will be built with adequate dressing facilities. A new gymnasium with maximum floor area, telescoping bleachers, tile dressing and shower rooms, equipment rooms and laundry is now in

the blueprint stage and will be constructed within two years. All of this because we have made an effort to give a community what they wanted and they in turn are giving us these facilities.

Does it pay dividends? We think so.



#### VARSITY FOOTBALL SQUAD

Front row, left to right: Frank Barrett, Ken Metz, Clyde Scent, Wallace Baker, Cecil Calhoun, Bill Smith, Charlie Roberts, Henry Mixon, Jim Barrett, Wendell Harris, Dale Talbert, Jack Trezise, Jack Smith, Pat Ercolin, Bill Teate, George Loy. Second row, left to right: Charles McConnell, David Berggren, Warren Rice, Chuck Dell, David Roddenberry, Carl Elliott, Bob White, Jamie Buckingham, Al Coleman, Bill Rymer, Bob Lewis, Cecil Cason, Bryant Tillis, Chas. Gifford, Mgr. Harry Holman. Back row: Asst. Coach Eddie Markel, Bob Bass, Sam McCall, Bill Eubanks, J. W. Calhoun, Herb Horton, David Prange, Curtis King, Jim Calhoun, Carl Green, Tam Moody, Richard Brown, Everett Randall, Don Humphrey, Mgr. Art Snyder, Mgr. Billy Howard, Head Coach H. L. Wasson.

## FOOTBALL AT VERO BEACH

By H. L. WASSON  
Head Coach

With a nucleus of sixteen letter men returning from the 1946 State Championship team, the Indians of Vero High moved into the Gulfstream conference, the number two conference in the state of Florida. In a new conference and meeting new teams they had never played before, the Indians were runner-up for the Conference title.

In 1947 the red and white clad Indians ran their winning streak to seventeen straight before losing a game. This included a win over the 1946 Parochial State Champions 37-0.

Every game on the ten game schedule is a top notch game. The season is completed on Thanksgiving with a game between Vero Beach and Ft. Pierce. The rivalry between these two teams is the keenest in the state.

While outstanding stars have emerged from the Indians first string this season — J. W. "Jake" Calhoun, Bob Bass, Bill "Hooks" Rymer, backfield men and Sam McCall, Curtis King, Bill Eubanks, Pat Ercolin, center, ends and guard respectively, however it has been the all round brilliant playing of every man on the squad that has brought the Vero Beach team nineteen wins out of its last twenty games.

Blessed with material talent deep in each position it was possible to keep fresh substitutes equally bal-

anced in power, weight, and ability in the ball game at all times.

Using the single wing formation with an unbalanced line, which requires a fast charging line and smashing backfield, the Vero Beach Indians have been drilled to perfection in this formation by seasoned coaches who have been successful mentors in this style of football.

We have two football squads. The Midget Team consists of Junior High boys and numbers about seventy, and

the Varsity Team consists of Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors. The Midget Team plays an eight game schedule, and during the past two seasons have lost only one game.

The Indians of Vero Beach in compiling their record of nineteen wins out of twenty games have won one Conference Championship, one State championship "Class B" and have scored 440 points in their twenty games with an average of twenty-one points per game.



Jean Peters (center), Queen for Thanksgiving Day game. Attendants are Henrietta MacConnell (left) and Vivian Zigrang (right).

## *Girls' Physical Education in*

# **VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL**

By **ELIZABETH KANE TILLEY**  
Physical Ed. Director for Girls

**L**eadership is the keynote in Girls' physical education in Vero Beach High School. Since the weather is nice all year around, all of the work is done out of doors. Every girl from the seventh through the twelfth grade is required to take physical education, unless she has a doctor's excuse or takes either band or glee club.

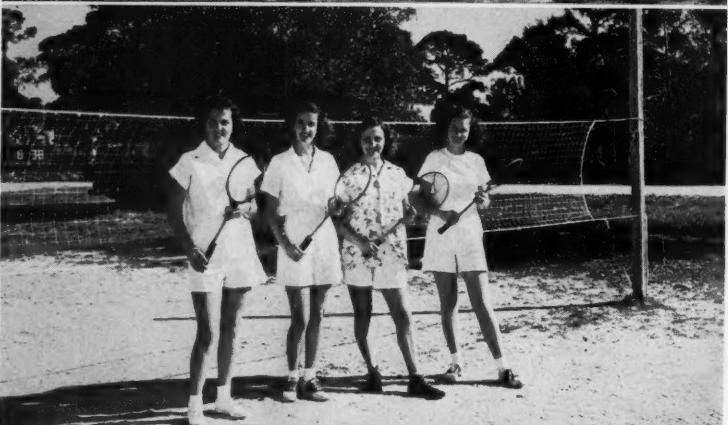
Five classes of approximately forty girls are taught each day. These classes are started by a series of five different conditioning exercises, lasting from five to seven minutes. The exercises are led by a different student each day and this gives every student a chance to be a leader.

There is a variety of sports offered during the school year. We have volleyball, basketball, softball, badminton, archery, horseshoes, and soccer. Some of the girls like to play a little touch football and there is some track. Bowling is also taught. Once a week the classes go to the town bowling alley, about three blocks from the school. The girls take turns setting their own pins each week. In the spring we have a tennis tournament and the winner of the tournament is given a trophy by the school. Each sport is played from four to six weeks.

Every class has four team captains; these captains are in full charge of the teams. It is their duty to appoint players, substitute when needed and to have general supervision of the team. Two games are played each period, alternating with the winners playing winners and losers playing losers. After several weeks of playing we have a tournament for a couple of weeks to determine the winner of each class. During the class period girls do the refereeing of their own games. This not only helps them with the rules but also helps them in their own game skills.

Besides developing game skills and leadership qualities, the students are given class duties for a week. Two girls are in charge of the dress-

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# VERO VS. THE ZONE

By EDDIE J. MARKEL  
Head Basketball Coach

A great deal has been written, pro and con, on the subject of zone defense. I have been a life long foe of the zone but I believe too much light is thrown on the subject considering its worth. A zone is good for certain types of material or as a change of pace defense, or for certain opponents. Beyond that the use of a zone is a definite sign of weak coaching. Any team that remains calm and works against a zone will win over it most of the time. The offense dictates the game. A good set shot can win a game single-handed. Offensive rebounding position offsets any advantage of a fast break that the zone may have.

Here on the Florida east coast, we meet every type of zone ever invented. In fact, only two teams on our schedule play man for man. Vero's Indians won the State Class B title in 1944 and have been a worthy contender year after year. Much of this success is due to care-

ful preparation for zone defense.

We ask that each player develop one "pet" shot. A set up is given against all types of zones. We aim for three objectives: 1—a set shot, 2—rebounding position, 3—defensive position. As the season progresses we add more patterns. Many zone players are given little fundamental defensive work and these can be rushed, forcing them to play on a man to man basis.

Players must be made to understand that they must move the ball and not themselves. Two to four steps is enough for any player to move. Analyze the type of zone and move against it. Players soon gain confidence and welcome seeing a zone set up against them.

Vero employs a man-to-man defense with little shifting. We find it more effective than the zone on small floors. According to the situation we play tight, pick up at the line or rush all over the court.



**VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM**

Front row, left to right: Charles Roberts, Jack Trezise, Jamie Buckingham, Sam McCall, Harry Holman, Curtis King, David Prange, J. W. Calhoun, Bill Rymer, Ken Metz.

Back row, left to right: Bert Groover, Ronnie Hutchenson, Jim Thompson, Don Lenz, Jim Calhoun, John Jewett, Dale Talbert, George Loy, John Schuman, Cecil Calhoun, Coach Eddie Markel.

## PHYSICAL ED.

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ing rooms and two girls are responsible for the taking out and bringing in of the equipment. Girls are graded on skill improvement from week to week, class attitude, sportsmanship, personal cleanliness, uniform neatness and knowledge of rules. If every girl will enter into her class work with an open mind and take full advantage of her opportunities here, she should be a better sport, leader and all around person.



# TRACK SPELLS CONDITION

By EDDIE J. MARKEL  
Head Track Coach

FOR many years we have observed the majority of high schools passing up the best bet in their athletic program.

The fact that track is usually a dead loss at the gate and that few school men realize the value derived from the sport make it the step-child of all our events. The cost is slight compared to other sports and will return rich benefits for every dollar expended. A boy usually knows whether he can play football, baseball or basketball but unless he is unusually fast, he doesn't know about his track ability. The baseball player needs track to build his legs, speed and timing; the basketball candidate gains endurance and spring in his legs; and the football men work on quickness as well as to keep the spring roll from the tummy. Track teaches initiative, resourcefulness and courage, because a track-man is on his own without a team to help him or a coaching pattern to meet situations.

Competition is only one hurdle for the track star. When he has won over all competitors, he still has the stop watch to consider. There are enough events in track that any boy physically able and sincere can do fairly well in some event. A track team may consist of from forty to fifty boys, providing more boys with a chance to take part than is found in other sports. Meets can be held often as they don't take long or involve expense. Considering all these factors we have a sport that conditions all who take part. It is the basic demand and a "must" for each boy to be in shape. Starting gives quickness, hurdling and jumping events provide spring, running gives endurance, the stop watch a challenge, a wide range of events opportunity, and the drive for the tape gives courage.

Provide your school with a good track team and watch your other sports come up, not to mention a dozen thrills per meet for all sport fans.

At left: Elizabeth Kane Tilley.

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## *Summer Coaching Clinic*

Announcements are being made of the time and place for the various summer coaching clinics. If you are engaged in coaching or contemplate entering the profession, you owe it to yourself and to the boys under your direction, to attend at least one of these clinics. The coaching schools which we have had in the past have contributed much to the improvement of coaching in recent years. A great deal of planning and hard work are required to make these schools available and coaches who do not attend are depriving themselves of the opportunity to improve themselves in their chosen work. Cost of attending is negligible compared with the benefits derived. In these few days, you will get new ideas, you will be refreshed on things you already know, you will see new application of old ideas, you will make new contacts and will have a good time in doing so. It will get you out of your rut. Besides learning more about your sport, you will also come to know and understand your fellow coaches. You will be happier in your work, having confidence in your ability to do a better job and by having gained confidence in the integrity of others in your field.

While we are writing on the subject of coaching clinics, let us take the time and space to put in our "3 cents worth" on college coaches who serve on the staffs at the summer coaching schools. We will preface this paragraph with the statement that most college coaches do a good job at the coaching

clinics. Their primary interest is in promoting the best interest of their sport while the fee is secondary and incidental. They tell what they know and show what they do with their teams.

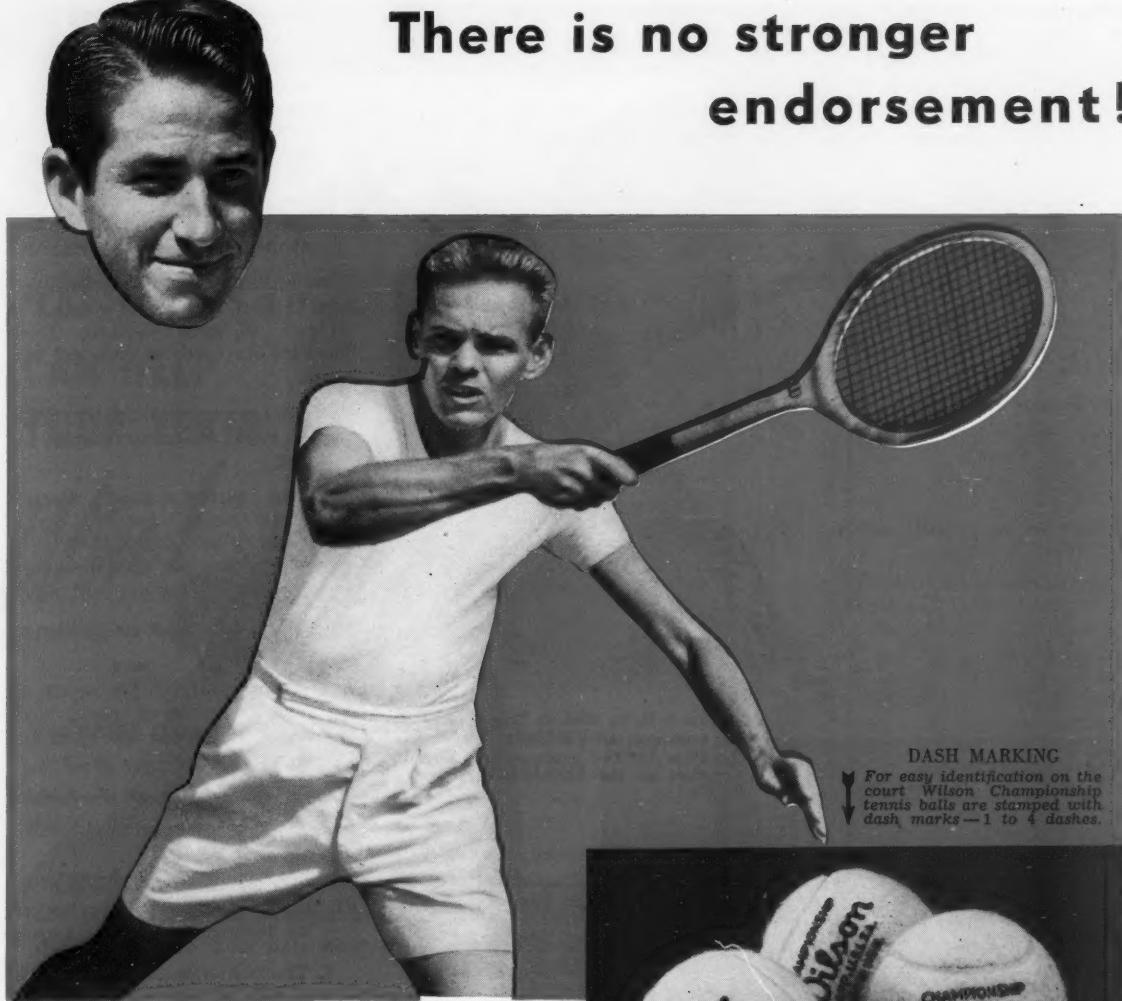
On the other hand, there are a few — a very few — whose primary interest is their fee. They hold out for the highest fee they can get and then, after driving their bargain, they fail to come through with their part of the deal. They use up their lecture time with vague generalities, discussing in most part what some other coach is doing, but being very careful to withhold information on his own system of play and methods of coaching. After he has finished his lectures, pocketed his fee and rushed off on the 4:00 o'clock plane, the high school coaches start questioning each other as to what he had said. No one is able to throw any light on what he does or how he does it. We are thankful that this type of fellow is rare, but he does exist and we caution coaching school directors to be on the look-out for him. When he is found, he should be black-listed by all the associations. It is unfair for a college coach to accept a fee to appear on the staff at a coaching clinic unless he intends to give them some helpful information.

## *Bound Volumes*

The June issue of Southern Coach and Athlete will carry spring sports summaries for the various high school and college conferences throughout the South. These summaries will be accompanied by pictures of championship teams, all-conference picks and other information which you will want to keep. Previous issues carried summaries of football and basketball.

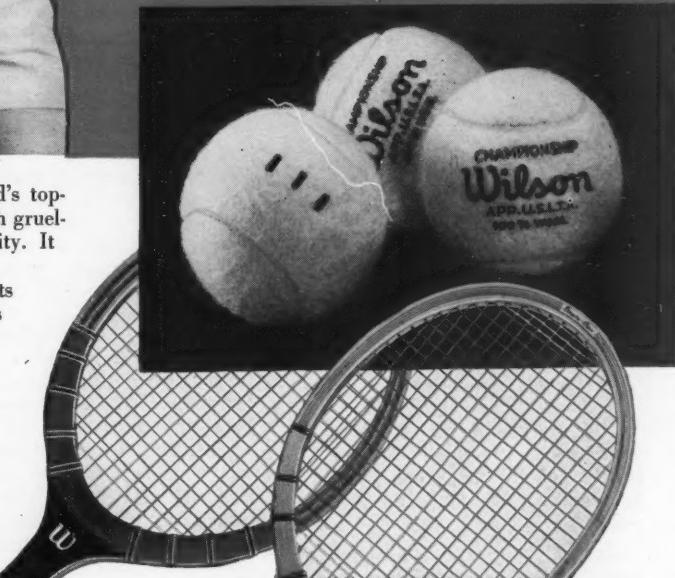
Bound editions of all ten issues of Volume X will be available in June. Since it carries summaries on football, basketball, track and tennis for the high school and college conferences throughout the South, it makes an excellent year book and will be a valuable addition to your sports library. It is also an excellent way of preserving the many splendid technical articles on the various sports which have appeared in Southern Coach and Athlete during the past year. Those who would like to have one of these attractively bound editions should place their orders early, as the supply is not unlimited and orders will be filled in the order in which they are received.

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## SINGLE WING FUNDAMENTALS

By H. L. WASSON

Football Coach, Vero Beach High School

INSTEAD of the type of formation being the outstanding factor in offensive football, it is my belief that the execution of fundamentals is the important thing. If a team is well grounded in fundamentals, the coach of that team may be successful in using any kind of formation.

We, here at Vero Beach, use a single-wingback formation from an unbalanced line as our basic offense. I have worked with this formation a few years and believe that it accomplishes our purpose in a very creditable manner.

Regardless of the formation we use or any system that we may use in teaching football to the players, we cannot forget the fact that the essence of all football is blocking. The type of block that a coach uses depends on the situation or what he wishes to do. The main objective of blocking is to keep your opponent away from the ball or from the path of the ball carrier.

There are many different kinds of blocks in use today, but we shall discuss only three of them. 1. Shoulder block; 2. Cross-body block; 3. Rolling block.

1. Points to consider in the shoulder block include:

- a. Specific purpose of the block.
- b. Where and how to get contact.
- c. Position of blocker on contact.
- d. Follow-up.
- e. To move the opponent from the path of the ball carrier.
- f. Aim for his mid section with your head; this will cut down on the margin of errors. Keep your head between the the opponent and the ball using your neck and head to guide the opponent.
- g. Head up, eyes open, tail low, legs coiled, the blocker is now in position to drive his man where he wants him. A player who has his eyes closed in making his block does not have any better chance than a blind man in accomplishing his block.
- h. The charge, the contact, the follow-up are all one vigorous,



Coach H. L. Wasson (right) with J. W. Calhoun, All-Conference and Little All-State for two years and honorable mention on the All-Southern Prep in 1947.

continuous action, with an all out effort the instant of contact. A player must keep on his feet and drive.

### 2. Cross-body block.

The blocker must take the offensive man alone. In doing this you can do a very effective job by building a fence between your opponent and the ball with a well executed cross-body block.

You want to close in on your opponent as if you were going to run through him; throw your body across his path, snapping your hips and upper leg hard against him. When you get contact your head will be on one side and your inside knee will be hooking him from the other. DON'T GO TO THE GROUND. Keep on your hands, back arched high, hunching sidewise, crab fashion and stay between your opponent and the ball.

### 3. Rolling block.

In the secondary, depending on the circumstances, the blocker will attempt to take out the defender with a shoulder block, or

a running cross-body block, or mow him down with a rolling block. The last should be used only as a last resource and only then when the defensive man is moving diagonally. The rolling block is executed by the throwing of the entire body in the path of the opponent and rolling into him trying to hit him at the knees with your hips.

As blocking is the essence of offensive play, the prime element in defense is good tackling. Good blockers are good tacklers and vice versa.

There are general rules that apply under most all circumstances in tackling.

1. The tackler must literally throw himself into his work. Tackling as well as blocking is twenty-five per cent technique and seventy-five per cent desire.
  2. The tackler must get position on the runner.
  3. As he goes for his tackle he must have eyes open, neck bowed, head up, feet apart and legs coiled.
  4. He must not be an arm tackler but tackle with his shoulders and body.
  5. The tackler should follow up his body contact by encircling the runners legs with his arms.
  6. The tackler should keep his feet as long as possible driving the runner or at least stopping him in his tracks.
- Personnel**—To take full advantage of this formation (single wing-back) a team should have:
1. A tailback who can run, pass and quick kick. A squad with only one outstanding boy who is a triple threat can use him well from the single wing. He is always in a position to run, pass or quick kick.
  2. A full back or spinning back who is a good plunger and a fine ball handler.
  3. Good blocking ends and a good blocker in his number two or blocking back.
  4. Fast wing back to make short side or weak side plays effective.
  5. At least one active fast guard to pull for interference.

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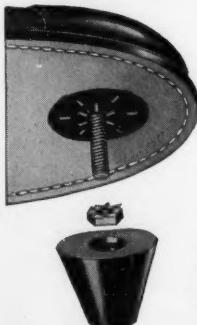
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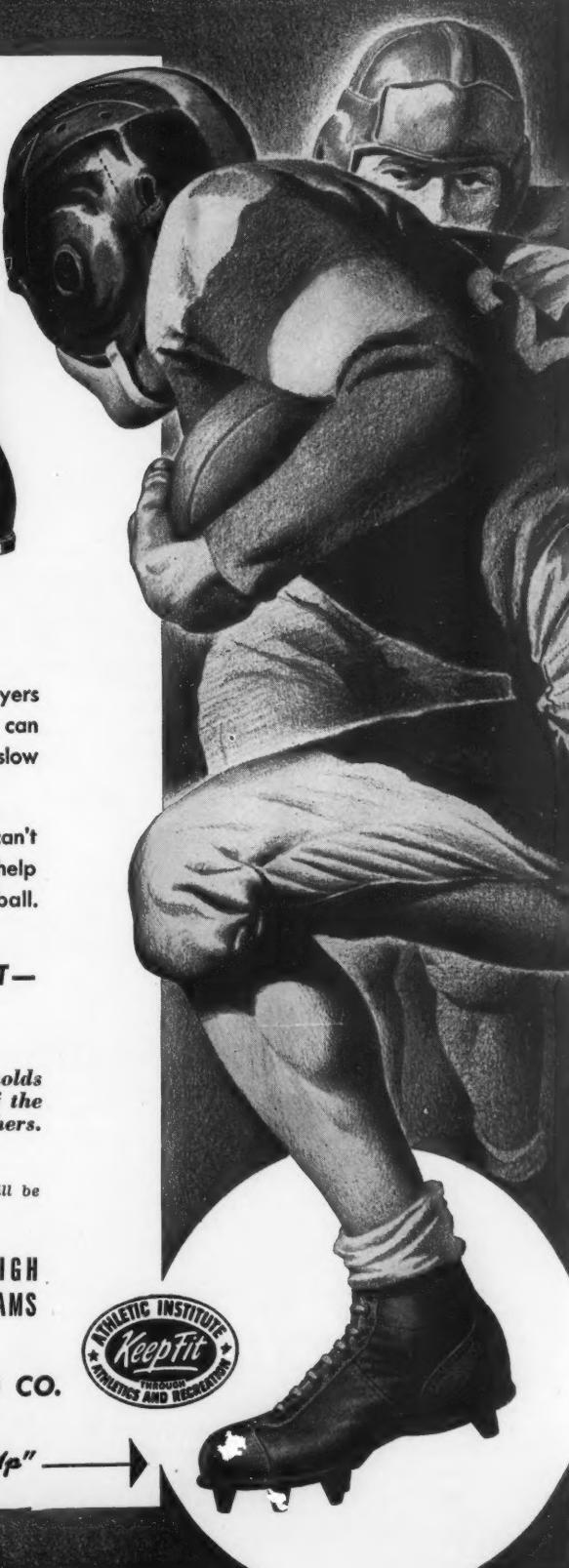
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Five of the 16 schools in the Southern Conference will have new head football coaches next Fall . . . The latest to resign was J. Neil (Skip) Stahley, who quit at George Washington University to accept the position of backfield coach at the University of Washington . . . Stahley coached the San Diego, Calif., Naval team during the war . . . His Colonials won only one of nine games last Fall . . . Other schools losing head gridiron mentors since last season were Davidson, Virginia Tech, Furman and Richmond . . . Virginia Tech signed Robert C. (Bob) McNeish, assistant coach at Navy last year, to replace Jimmy Kitts, resigned . . . McNeish is a product of Southern California, having played under the late Howard Jones. . . .

There may be any number of athletes playing freshman (not varsity) football in the Southern Conference next Fall who have already won varsity letters in basketball, baseball, track and other winter and spring sports . . . When the freshman rule goes back into effect next September, the athletes having enrolled in the Winter and Spring months will be caught by the clause in the freshman rule which states that a student must be in residence one calendar year before being eligible for varsity athletics . . . That will knock them out of football next Fall despite the fact some of them already have won varsity letters in Winter and Spring sports. . . .

Eddie Crescenze, diminutive Maryland basketeer, was the shortest player to compete in the annual conference cage tournament . . . He was listed at five-feet-four but his coach, Flucie Stewart, swore he measured no more than two inches over the five-foot mark . . . Jack Milne, North Carolina U.'s National cross country champion, dropped out of school . . . Ditto Floyd (Chunk) Simmons, North Carolina's great hurdler . . . Simmons will seek an Olympic berth . . . Art Wall, Duke University golfer, shot his 26th hole in one in a friendly match the other day, causing Bob Harlow, editor of "Golf World," immediately to proclaim the young student the world's leader in golf aces . . . Wall scored seven aces when he was 14 years old and Robert Ripley featured him in Believe It or Not. . . .

Wake Forest installed the T formation in Winter football practice, Coach D. C. (Peahead) Walker discarding

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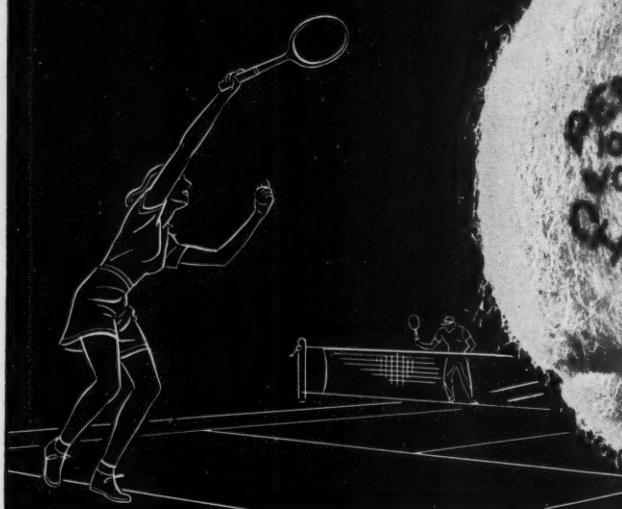
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the single wing because "I haven't got a tailback or a blocking back and I believe my material will be best suited for the T formation in 1948." . . . Assisting Coach Walker put in the T were Nick Sacrity, quarterback, and Pat Preston, guard, both of the Chicago Bears; and John (Red) Cochran, halfback of the Chicago Cardinals . . . All three are former Wake Forest stars . . . The Southern Invitational Indoor Games, which replaced the Southern Conference track and field championships during the war, will go into discard in 1949 in favor of the conference meet . . . Chapel Hill will be the site with Bob Fetzer, dean of Southern track, in charge. . . .

The Southern Conference Sports Writers Association has been formed to help boost college athletics in the conference area . . . One of its first jobs was to select the all-tournament basketball team usually picked by the tournament coaches . . . Dick Herbert of the Raleigh (N. C.) News & Observer was elected president and Smith Barrier of the Greensboro (N. C.) Daily News was named secretary-treasurer . . . The association will pick mythical all-star teams in the future and make All-America recommendations from the conference and surrounding area . . . Broadus (Dick) Culler, rated the No. 1 basketball referee in the conference, resigned with six games to go before the end of the season and exclaimed: "I don't have to make my living taking insults and criticism from the fans and coaches." . . . Culler will play shortstop for the Chicago Cubs this Summer . . . In the off-season, he operates a successful sporting goods business in his native High Point, N. C. . . .

Ted Petoskey, former baseball player of note, is the new diamond mentor at South Carolina U., while Frank Novosel, ex-New York U. athlete and minor league baseball player, has succeeded Murray Greason as baseball coach at Wake Forest . . . Jim Mallory, North Carolina U. product, has been named director of athletics and head coach of three major sports at Elon College, N. C. . . . He succeeds L. J. (Hap) Perry, who was appointed executive secretary of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association . . . Carl Snavely, head football coach at North Carolina U., turned down a three-year contract at \$25,000 annual salary, plus a percentage of the net gate receipts, from the Los Angeles Dons of the All-America Conference . . . He got a nice raise and what amounts to a job as long as he wants it at N. C. . . . Snavely also had the pleasure of refusing the Brooklyn Dodger post of the National League which went to Carl Voyles, ex-Auburn mentor . . . Flake (Red) Laird, Virginia Tech cage mentor, favors inviting all 16 member teams to the basketball tournament . . . Bob Suffridge, Tennessee product who has coached the line at N. C. State the past two years, has joined Quinn Decker at The Citadel, where he will coach the Bulldog forward wall in 1948. . . .

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# AL STONE

The Tennessee lad who will make Ole Miss's bid for Collegiate Golf Supremacy

By

BILLY GATES

Mississippi's Al Stone is about as predictable a chap as you'll run across. For that matter, so is his golf—almost.

Sandy-thatched Stone, heavy-handed off the tees, is the Rebel links ace and, for that matter, may be Dixie's college kingpin by May 1, date for the finals of this year's Southern Intercollegiate tournament at Athens, Georgia.

Ole Miss first featured Cary Middlecoff in the Athens tourney. Now it's Stone, who was last spring's meet sensation despite his 3-2 defeat in the finals by Davey Sullivan of Miami U.

Middlecoff once frowned on the play-for-pay tours. "There's too much pressure on those money puts," he said during his college days. Now, he's rated the most promising young pro in the business.

Stone, son of the managing editor of the Jackson, Tenn., Sun, figures he'll follow somewhere around his dad's footsteps but if he changes his attitude and heads toward the pro ranks, in equipment—shots and temperament—he's just as capable of making the grade.

The Southern Intercollegiate last spring was Stone's first tournament in some months, following more than two years of Naval service. And he made up for lost time by blasting the hottest scoring pace in tournament history until Sullivan cut him down in the finals.

After qualifying with 154, the freckled-faced, ex-Navy ensign turned on Jack Ryan of LSU, 7-5; bumped one of the pre-tourney favorites, Harvey Ward of North Carolina, 8-6, then ousted the meet's "Dizzy Dean," Al Besselink of Miami, 7-5. He was 11 under par for the 38 holes played to produce a string of lopsided victories unequalled in any previous tournament.

Stone played with indifferent success in the National Intercollegiate, losing in first-round play to J. Ashby Taylor of Georgia Tech, one-up. However, he won the West Tennessee Open at Dyersburg during the Summer, fronting a fast field with a five-under-par 139 for the 36 holes, then entered the Tennessee State Amateur as one of the favored hotshots.

And a hotshot he was—almost. As in the Athens affair he started off with a streak of subpar golf and, over his home course, a rugged, extremely-long layout, was 12 under standard figures going into the finals. Jim Wittenberg, Memphian and LSU star, caught him then and won 2-1 for the Vol State crown.

Previously, Stone's closest match had been a 4-2 win over Junior Bailey, another Memphis migrant who plays as a collegian for North Carolina. Bailey was tournament medalist with a one-under 71. In the semifinals Stone went five under in beating H. P. Childress, defending champion, 5-4, and now admits that he played that one as if it had been the championship match.

Later, Stone won 3-2 from Wittenberg in the Memphis Colonial Club Invitational. He had qualified with a 128 on the par 70 layout, missing medalist laurels with a



three-over 7 on the par 4 18th on his final round. Sonny Ellis, LSU and Columbus, Ga., 1946 Southern Intercollegiate champion, won from Stone in 19 holes in the quarterfinals, then went on to win the tournament.

"One thing," grins Stone, "I lose only to the champs."

Now 21, Stone's heavier than in '47, is even longer off the tees. He's a slugger, strictly, hitting with an upright swing, and can fade 'em or hook the ball as the occasion demands.

Stone's gait is a cross between a walk and a shuffle. In dual meets he seldom arrives before "tee" time. He's been known to leave the first tee in untied shoes. Practice, Stone admits, is an essential but one he seldom indulges in.

At Athens, he left unopened a bag of sports attire in his hotel room and played the entire tournament in a pair of faded green slacks, a "T" shirt and occasionally a wrinkled sports shirt. The fact that he had a gallery of 1500 following his match with Sullivan made no difference.

At that, there is one thing that perturbs Stone. He ponders the "cold" spell he runs into occasionally, as in the finals of the Southern and Tennessee tournaments, and the semifinals of the Southern fourball affair.

"Could be I need practice," he suggests. But that's about as close to the practice fairway as he gets, save on rare occasion.

Stone's been sticking closer to his books than the Reb course this spring, anticipating his graduation in June. But if he can focus on golf during the next few weeks, it may be that Ole Miss will turn up with its first Southern Intercollegiate champion.

Certain to be among the favored in this year's tournament, the ambling Tennessean's that good—and good enough to go a lot further if he cares to settle down and work at the chore of being a champion.

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# TOTAL COMMUNITY RECREATION

## RESPONSIBILITIES AND POSSIBILITIES FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By T. J. BLEIER, Supervisor  
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The role of the public schools in the provision of opportunity for and training for recreational activities has been emphasized time and time again. In 1868 the first biennial report of the newly formed United States Department of Education contained the following statement made by Henry Barnard, Commissioner of Education, "... the science of education includes the science of recreation and elaborate arrangements for the education of a community must be regarded not only as incomplete, but as radically unsound if suitable provisions for physical training and recreation are not included."

In 1918 a commission appointed by the National Education Association listed "preparation for worthy use of leisure time" as one of the seven objectives of education.

In 1943 the American Youth Commission of the American Council in Education stated, "The schools have a responsibility to equip their pupils for fruitful use of leisure which is equal to their responsibility to equip them for useful work."

It is, then, a fundamental obligation of the schools to develop those types of recreational interests and activities which will carry on long after the pupil has completed his formal school program. Recreational activities, therefore, include not only sports and games played by young and old, but include any activity in the fields of music, drama, art, handicraft, science, literature, nature study, nature contacting, aquatic sports and athletics, or any of them, and any informal play incorporating any such activity.

Increasingly, complete programs of education are contributing to social, health, and physical fitness, and leisure time objectives, and supervised recreation is becoming an integral part of educational programs for youth development. More and more it is considered sound educational policy for progressive school boards, large or small, state, county or city, to include recreation among their educational responsibilities. The report of the proceedings of the Council of Chief State School Of-

ficers at its meeting in Baltimore in 1945 stated, "... the council believes that school and community recreation is appropriately an integral part of a comprehensive education program."

This trend toward increased interest in and responsibility for statewide school recreational programs by state departments of education is one of great promise to all concerned with community recreation. It is a challenge to school and recreational workers to work even closer together than ever before to attain the utmost in community participation and use.

The oneness of purpose of school and recreational personnel is set forth in the platform, "Recreation — An Essential Community Service", adopted early in January, 1946, by the American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation and the Society of Recreation Workers of America, Inc., which is now the American Recreation Association. Among others, the following "planks" from this platform are well worth repeating here:

"Local planning boards, recreation commissions, boards of education, and park boards should cooperate in long-range planning for the acquisition, development, and use of recreational facilities."

"Schools should serve, as adequately as possible, the education-recreation needs of pupils and be planned so that they will be efficient centers for community use."

"Parks should be planned, wherever possible, to include facilities for sports, games, and other recreation activities which are suitable for children, youth, and adults."

"A recreation plan for the community should result in the fullest use of all resources and be integrated with long-range planning for all other community services."

"Wherever possible, federal, state, and local agencies should correlate their plans for planning, acquisition, and use of recreation facilities."

In December, 1946, a working conference of outstanding community and college leaders engaged in the

conduct of athletics, recreation, physical and health education programs, city planners, architects, landscape architects, engineers, and schoolhouse construction consultants was held at Jackson's Mill, Weston, West Virginia. The recommendations of this conference are contained in its book, "A Guide for Planning Facilities for Athletics, Recreation, Physical and Health Education", published in 1947 by The Athletic Institute. The keynote sounded again and again by this conference is "comprehensive and cooperative planning directed toward the most economical and efficient use of the total community resources". You will be interested in a brief quotation from this book:

"School athletic programs, originally conceived and directed separate and apart from education, are now interpreted as being an essential part of education. Similarly, physical and health education programs have been broadened to include programs of athletics and playground programs after school and during vacation. Playground programs, originally organized to meet the need for children's play in physical activities outside of the formal school day, have broadened to include opportunities for play in other than physical activities throughout the year, as well as opportunities for recreation by youth and adults. Recreation programs, under park auspices, have grown to include all types of activities meeting the play and recreation needs of children, youth, and adults."

"The knowledge and experience of park, school, and recreational personnel should be utilized fully in the planning, development, operation and maintenance of facilities. Communities which pool the technical resources available in their administrative departments are increasing their efficiency and decreasing costs. Park designers and engineers can aid materially in the design and maintenance of schools and play areas. Recreation personnel can make significant contributions in the planning and operation of school facilities for recreation purposes. Fur-

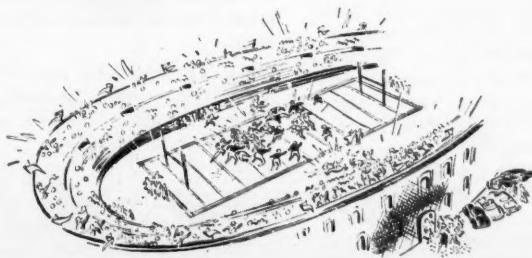
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ther, both school and recreation personnel can make significant contributions to the functional planning of parks with respect to the layout and operation of structures and areas for organized activities."

From a practical point of view let us recognize that, in the last analysis, all city and county property belongs to the public, the program is for school pupils and adults as well, so why draw any lines? It is essential that the taxpayer receive the maximum over-all return for the money spent. Through unified planning, joint financing, and integrated use, the maximum use of land in built-up areas is possible and the amount of taxable land is not unnecessarily reduced. Why should school buildings stand with door and playyard gates tightly locked after school hours and throughout weekends, holidays, and vacations? Programs of education and recreation are broad programs which are complementary and supplementary each to the other—and both require similar facilities.

In the various communities of Dade County, joint planning, thinking, and action have characterized the coordinated efforts of the agencies of the communities and the Dade County Board of Public Instruction in providing for the recreational needs of the community.

In the city of Miami, a joint committee made up of two members of the City Commission, two members of the Dade County Board of Public Instruction, a representative from the City of Miami Recreation Department and the writer, as Supervisor of Health and Physical Education for the Dade County public schools, made a study of the community resources available for joint use of schools and the recreational department. The location of future park sites adjoining existing schools and sites of new schools soon to be erected was discussed. This committee also agreed on certain arrangements for the interchange of use of existing facilities. Some such interchange had been going on for some time, but the expanded recreation program and the increase in school population made long-range planning imperative.

Perhaps one of the most beneficial arrangements to come out of this study to date was the leasing by the School Board for a period of forty years of a city park which was little used by the public because of its

location. This park is located just across the street from one of our elementary schools, which has a population of 382 pupils in grades one through six. Three blocks from this park is our Technical High School, which has a population of 525 boys and girls in grades nine through twelve. The elementary school grounds provide only a very limited area for playground space and the high school has no grounds at all, being located in a "skyscraper" in a commercial area. This school has, within the past two years, inaugurated an athletic program and very badly needed an athletic field and court areas. Under the terms of the lease agreement with the City of Miami, the School Board has reconditioned the area, installed necessary fences, constructed a baseball diamond and athletic field, repaired the existing fence around the tennis courts, installed a sprinkling system and outdoor basketball standards. This area, little used as a public park, is now being used by the 382 pupils of Miramar Elementary School for their daily physical education classes and after-school activities, and the athletic teams of Technical High School.

During the summer months this area will be available for use by the recreation department of the City of Miami. Baseball, softball, tennis, and many other activities requiring both large and small areas are included in the plans for use of this area during the months the schools are closed.

As a further result of the study of this joint committee, both the City of Miami and the Dade County Board of Public Instruction have, during the past two years, embarked upon a wide-spread program of improvement of playgrounds at both parks and schools. The City of Miami has spent approximately \$100,000.00 on its park playgrounds for reconditioning and equipment, and has made available to the School Board approximately 30,000 cubic yards of dirt from city property for reconditioning school playgrounds both within and without the city limits of Miami. The School Board, in turn, has spent an equal sum for reconditioning playgrounds at twenty-eight schools in the Greater Miami area. During the school year these playgrounds are used by the pupils for physical education classes and after-school activities. During the summer the school playgrounds in Miami are available for use by the recreation department of the City of Miami. Those outside the city limits are

available for use upon request of the community which they serve.

Gymnasiums at our large high schools in Miami are available, without charge, to the City of Miami recreational department during the summer months. During the season, the Miami YMCA uses two of our high school gymnasiums in the city for church and commercial league play in basketball. A nominal fee is charged to take care of custodial fees and lights. School auditoriums are used, on a rental basis, by various civic organizations for concerts, lectures, and the like. It is, of course, understood that the schools have priority of use of their own property for their own purposes.

Other communities in Dade County have also cooperated with the School Board in the interchange of use of facilities. There are now fourteen park-schools throughout the county, ten of them in Miami. This means that the schools use the athletic fields, hard court areas, and playground areas and equipment in an adjacent park for physical education classes and after-school activities. No charge is made the School Board for this use, nor does the Board have any responsibility for up-keep or maintenance.

Girls' sports days for all junior and senior high school girls and junior high boys' tournaments are a coordinated effort of the schools and recreation departments. The Dade County Board of Women Basketball Officials trains hundreds of girl officials every year. These girls serve as officials for volleyball, basketball, softball, badminton, tennis, track and archery. School and recreation department personnel cooperate in the actual conduct of the sports days and tournaments.

The junior high boys' athletic program culminates in tournaments at the end of each season of play. The schools make the necessary arrangements for the volleyball, softball, and track tournaments and the City of Miami recreation department takes over on the day of the tournament.

For interscholastic competition in football, the schools have the use of the Orange Bowl Stadium on a favorable rental basis from the City of Miami.

The Recreation Department of the City of Miami Beach has a long record of cooperation with the schools of that community. The high school uses the adjacent city park during

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**COMMUNITY RECREATION***(Continued from page 26)*

the school day for physical education classes and the after-school activity program. The after-school activity program of the Beach elementary schools is conducted alternately at the park and school playgrounds. No charge is made by the city for this use by the schools. Conduct and supervision of this after-school program is the responsibility of the city at the parks and the responsibility of school personnel on our own playgrounds.

The gymnasium at Miami Beach High School and the playground at Biscayne Elementary School are also used by the City of Miami Beach in its recreation program at no cost to the city.

Miami Springs, Opa Locka, Fulford, and Hialeah also have cooperative arrangements with the Dade County School Board.

At Miami Springs the town has purchased approximately \$1,000.00 worth of playground equipment for installation by the School Board on the playground at Miami Springs Elementary School. This arrangement is also covered by a written agreement which sets forth the terms of use by both parties. This makes possible full community use of this area. The physical education instructor at the school is also employed by the town for recreational work at the school playground in the afternoons after school, as well as during the summer months. At Opa Locka a similar plan is followed.

In the Redland District just south of the Greater Miami area, the Redland District Lions' Club sponsors a recreational program during the summer months at Homestead High School and at Redland Farm Life School. This has been very successful and will probably be a continuing program through the years.

Recreational facilities for the Negroes in the city of Miami have also been expanded through the coordinated efforts of the city recreational department and the schools. Parks adjacent to two of the Negro high schools and used daily by the pupils of those schools have been improved and fenced, and floodlights have been installed for night games. A park adjoining one of the Negro elementary schools in Miami has also been improved to include basketball and tennis courts and a softball diamond, which are used by the pupils of that school.

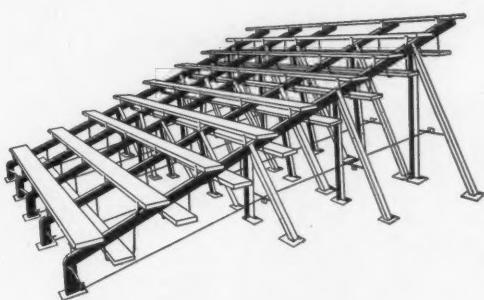
Another successful coordinated community recreational project in

which the schools have participated has been the Red Cross Learn-to-Swim campaign. Red Cross blanks are filled out by pupils in the schools and the cooperation of local public and private pools enlisted, with gratifying results.

Physical education is particularly rich in offerings in the field of recreation. There is much evidence to show that the characteristic play activities of physical education satisfy some of the recreative needs of the majority of boys and girls during the second decade of life and retain this value for many adults. Our program

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The physical education program in the Dade County schools reaches every child from the first through the twelfth grade. The elementary and junior high pupils have a daily physical education period—the ele-

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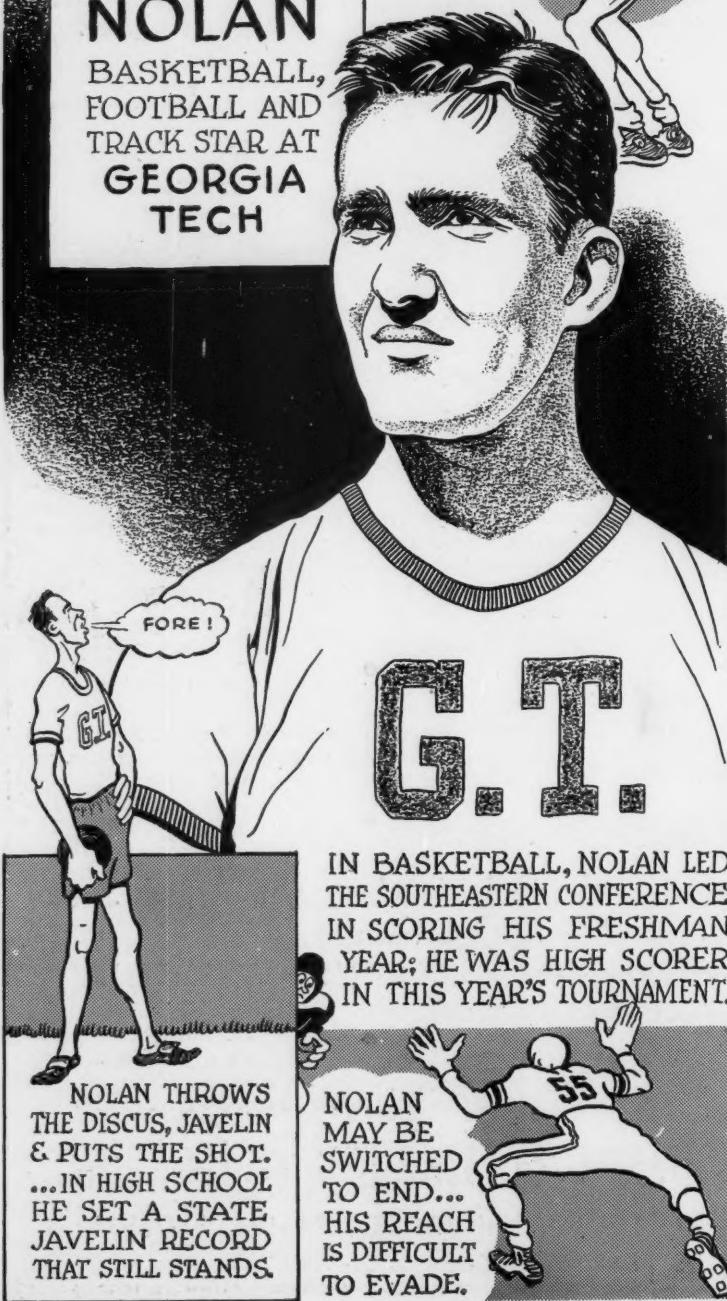
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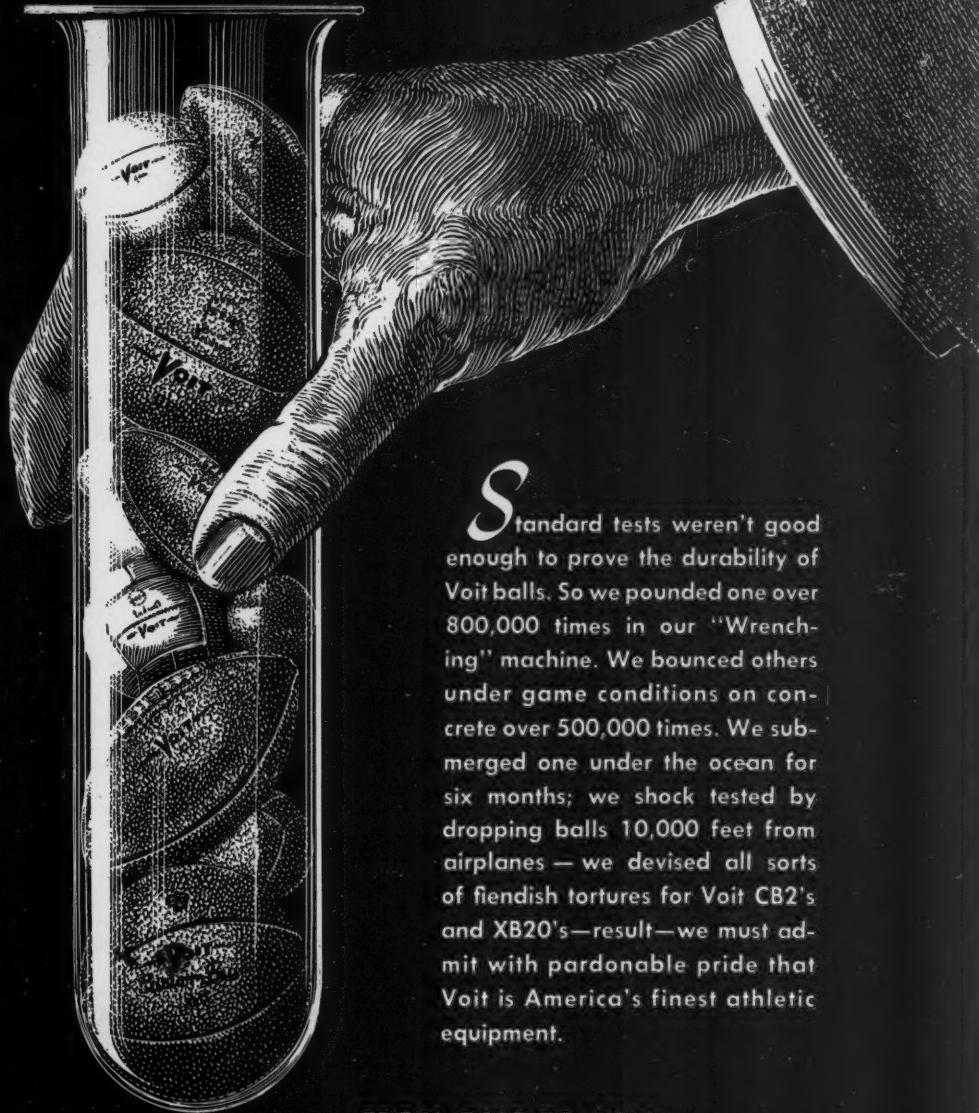
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# BASKETBALL SUMMARIES

## SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

*(Additional basketball summaries will be carried in the May issue).*



UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY BASKETBALL TEAM — 1948 S. E. C. AND N. C. A. A. CHAMPS.

Left to right, first row: Coach Adolph Rupp, Albert Cummins, Ralph Beard, Jim Line, Johnny Stough, Cliff Barker, Dale Barnstable, Ass't. Coach Harry Lancaster.

Left to right, second row: Jack Parkinson, Albert Campbell, Wallace Jones, Alex Groza, Joseph Holland, James Jordan and Capt. Kenneth Rollins.

Kentucky, to the utter amazement of nobody, captured the 1947-48 Southeastern Conference basketball championship for the fifth straight year by beating a stubborn Georgia Tech team in the finals, 54-43.

The Wildcats have now won 46 consecutive games with other Southeastern Conference teams, and have captured 10 of the 15 tournaments.

The big surprises were furnished by Tulane and Georgia Tech in the annual tournament at Louisville. Tulane was a surprise in that the Greenies were a disappointment in defeating Auburn and Vanderbilt to reach the semi-finals. Georgia Tech's Jackets were a surprise in reaching the finals by beating Alabama, Georgia and Tulane.

Jim Nolan, Georgia Tech's junior center, led the tournament scoring with 71 points, just three short of the all-time record of Joe Bill Adcock of LSU. Adcock hit 74 in 1946.

The all-tournament team is as follows: (First Team) — Wallace Jones,

Ken Rollins and Ralph Beard of Kentucky; Jim Nolan of Georgia Tech, and Paul Walther of Tennessee. (Second Team) — Cliff Barker and Alex Groza of Kentucky, Colin Anderson of Georgia Tech, Billy Joe Adcock of Vanderbilt, and Alex Athas of Tulane.

In the regular season's play, Kentucky was unbeaten in nine conference games and lost only two of 29; Tulane was second with a 13-1 record and won 21 of 23; Tennessee was third with a 10-2 record, and won 18 of 22 for the season.

Bob Healey, Georgia Sophomore, led the season's scoring with 374 points in 27 games.

### THE STANDINGS (Final 1948)

	W.	L.	Pts.	Op.
Kentucky	9	0	636	415
Tulane	13	1	812	595
Tennessee	10	2	692	648
Auburn	7	7	616	686
Alabama	8	8	650	681
Georgia	6	8	794	814

	Florida	7	542	594
Ga. Tech	6	10	834	873
Miss. State	6	10	730	828
Mississippi	5	9	692	707
La. State	4	10	643	679
Vanderbilt	4	11	744	865

### LEADING SCORERS

Name and Team	Games	Pts.
Bob Healey, Georgia	27	374
Billy Joe Adcock, Vanderbilt	21	356
Ralph Beard, Kentucky	28	337
Alex Groza, Kentucky	29	331
Hans Taenzler, Florida	24	322
Joe Jordan, Georgia	27	305
Warren Perkins, Tulane	23	289
Paul Walther, Tennessee	22	288
Harry Hamilton, Florida	24	283
Jack Marshall, Mississippi	22	278
Jim Riffey, Tulane	23	276
Marshall Hawkins, Tennessee	22	253
Jim Nolan, Ga. Tech	18	251
Melvin Dold, Ga. Tech	24	250
Bob Meador, La. State	26	244

# SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

By JACK HORNER



**NORTH CAROLINA STATE BASKETBALL SQUAD — SOUTHERN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS — 1947-48**

Back row, standing: Manager John White, Orlando, N. C.; Carl Anderson, Assistant Coach, Anderson, Ind.; Captain Leo Katkaveck, guard, Manchester, Conn.; Warren Cartier, center, Green Bay, Wisc.; Eddie Bartels, guard, Long Island, N. Y.; Paul Horvath, center, Chicago, Ill.; Dick Dickey, forward, Alexandria, Ind.; Assistant Manager Art Capper, Charlotte, N. C., and Head Coach Everett N. Case, Frankfort, Ind.

Front row, seated: Victor Bubas, guard, Gary, Ind.; Norman Sloan, guard, Indianapolis, Ind.; Sam Ranzino, forward, Gary, Ind.; Jack McComas, forward, Shelbyville, Ind., and Charlie Stine, forward, Frankfort, Ind.

N. C. State's Wolfpack, unbeaten in Southern Conference seasonal play, climaxed its 1948 basketball season by capturing the tournament championship for the second straight year and earning a bid to the National Invitational Tournament in New York City for the second year in a row.

Faced with the task of playing the last two games without its high scorer, Richard (Red) Dickey, the Wolfpack brushed back North Carolina U. in the semifinals, 55-50, and whopped Duke in the titular finals, 58-50.

Dickey was sidelined with the mumps after pacing the Wolfpack to a 73-52 win over William and Mary in its first tournament appearance.

For the first time since 1939, the tournament committee invited more than eight teams. Ten were invited, causing a day earlier start, when three clubs finished in a three-way tie for eighth place in the conference standings. They were William

and Mary, Wake Forest and South Carolina.

Duke, in reaching the finals, defeated South Carolina, 63-48; whipped George Washington, 54-51; and beat Davidson, 53-37.

K. C. (Gerry) Gerard of Duke was voted most outstanding coach of the tournament because of the brilliant showing of his unseeded quint in reaching the finals, while Jere Bunting of William and Mary was voted most valuable player of the tournament.

The all-tournament team follows:

**First Team**—Bob Paxton, North Carolina, and Corren Youmans, Duke, forwards; Ed Bartels, N. C. State, center; and Jere Bunting, William and Mary, and Leo Katkaveck, N. C. State, guards.

**Second Team**—Dick Dickey, N. C. State, and George Cheek, Davidson, forwards; Paul Horvath, N. C. State, center; and Tommy Hughes, Duke, and Warren Cartier, N. C. State, guards.

Chester Giernak, sophomore, William and Mary center, paced the conference point-getters during the regular season with 261.

The final conference team standings (conference games only) follow:

## THE STANDINGS (Conference Games Only)

Teams	W.	L.	Pts.	Op.
N. C. State ...	12	0	887	530
G. Washington ...	14	3	1040	891
North Carolina ...	11	4	799	725
Davidson ...	10	7	999	875
Va. Tech ...	7	5	612	586
Duke ...	8	6	722	684
Maryland ...	9	7	882	881
Wake Forest ...	8	7	820	815
William and Mary ...	8	7	768	744
South Carolina ...	8	7	825	830
Washington and Lee ...	5	8	767	885
The Citadel ...	4	8	529	657
Richmond ...	4	9	706	720
Furman ...	3	10	644	827
Clemson ...	3	14	919	1076
V. M. I. ....	1	12	610	753

# MID-SOUTH

By C. M. S. McILWAINE, Secretary, Mid-South Association of Private Schools

The McCallie Blue Tornado, defending champions and top-seeded, came through as predicted to win the Mid-South title again, but only after a double overtime contest with the Baylor Red Raiders, the Blue finally winning 35-33. The tournament, twenty-second in the series, was held in the Chattanooga Armory, March 4, 5, and 6, with twelve teams competing for the title.

McCallie, with 12 wins and 3 losses in association games, was seeded first, Castle Heights second, Baylor third, C.M.A. fourth, B.G. A. fifth, Darlington sixth, T.M.I. seventh, and S. M. A. eighth. The other four entries were Notre Dame of Chattanooga, G.M.A., Morgan and St. Andrews. To show the closeness of competition during the regular season, the three top-seeded teams split with each other, C.M.A. lost two to Baylor but split a pair with Heights and the top four lost the following games to lower ranked teams: McCallie to sixth ranked Darlington, Baylor to seventh ranked T.M.I. and unseeded Notre Dame, Heights to fifth seeded B.G. A. and unranked G.M.A. and C.M.A. to eighth seeded S.M.A.

In the upper bracket the draw read: McCallie-G.M.A.; S.M.A.-bye B.G.A.-Morgan; C.M.A.-bye. In the lower bracket were the following pairings: Baylor-St. Andrews; Darlington-bye; T.M.I.-Notre Dame; Castle Heights-bye. The first round was scheduled Thursday, quarter-finals Friday, semi-finals Saturday afternoon and finals Saturday night.

In the opening round B.G.A. eased past Morgan 49-15, McCallie won from G.M.A. 51-21 and Baylor ran up the highest score of the tourney in brushing St. Andrews aside 62-16. T.M.I. with a 22 point third quarter splurge pulled away from a 20-all halftime score to beat Notre Dame 58-46.

In the quarters C.M.A. started fast against B.G.A., leading 11-3 at the quarter and 19-10 at the half, but B.G.A., shifting from a zone to man-to-man in the second half, made a ball game of it before losing 38-34. Allen paced the winners with 18 points.

The next game provided the only



THE 1948 McCALLIE BASKETBALL TEAM — MID-SOUTH CHAMPIONS

Front row, left to right: Martin Clough, Memphis; Talbot Trammell, Miami; Charles Kollmansperger, Chattanooga; Don Lazenby, Bluefield, West Va.; Luther Welch, Dayton, Tenn.

Back row: Pratt Rather, Birmingham, Ala., Manager; John Alba, Bluefield, West Va.; Bill Hartley, High Point, N. C.; Bob Taylor, Princeton, Ky.; Harry Stowers, Bluefield, West Va.; Jim Ennis, Savannah, Ga.; Coach Con Davis.

upset of the tournament as T.M.I. downed second seeded Castle Heights in a driving finish 54-38. The score was tied 22-all at the half but T.M.I. forged ahead 36-33 at the end of the third quarter. Heights came back to tie the count at 36-all, but three players fouled out and T.M.I. poured in 18 points to two for Heights the rest of the way. Howell's 23 points for T.M.I. was the highest single game total of the tournament.

Baylor and McCallie both continued their impressive showing in Friday night games, Baylor beating Darlington 56-31 and McCallie winning over S.M.A. 60-26. McCallie took a 19-9 lead at the quarter, was ahead 34-18 at the half and 45-22 at the third quarter. Hartley with 13 points and Lazenby with 12 led the attack. Baylor was on top 16-6 at the quarter and 32-11 at the half against a Darlington team which was figured capable of extending the Raiders. Umstead with 16 points paced the Baylor scoring.

In the first semi-final McCallie won from C.M.A. 56-44 despite the fine play of Doug Reeves of C.M.A. who scored 19 points. The Tornado was behind 12-9 at the first quarter, but had assumed command at the half 28-21, and were never headed. At the third quarter the margin was 44-28 and C.M.A. whittled down the margin in the final quarter against the McCallie reserves. Kollmansperger topped the McCallie scoring with 15 points.

Baylor led all the way against T.M.I. in the other semi-final, 14-9 at the first quarter, 25-18 at the half, and 39-26 at the third quarter. T.M.I. staged an uprising in the final quarter, but the Baylor regulars came back in to halt the splurge and win 46-40. Bill Ford of T.M.I. with 20 points and Teeter Umstead of Baylor with 15 paced their teams.

In the Baylor-McCallie final the Red Raiders took an early lead and were ahead at the quarter 9-6, but McCallie made it 17-15 on the other

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# GEORGIA

By DAN MAGILL

Lanier of Macon and Valdosta high did the same trick in Georgia basketball as they did in football.

Lanier won its 14th GIAA tournament, and it was the 10th time the Poets were victorious under Coach Selby Buck. They nipped Murphy of Atlanta, 43-40, in the final. Murphy had topped the pre-tournament league standings.

Valdosta captured the class B meet. And, the same pair that led the Wildcats to the football championship — Sonny Stephenson and Billy Grant — paced them on the hardwood. Both made all-state for the second straight year.

It was Valdosta's first state basketball title. Gainesville, Valdosta's victim in the state football playoff, gave the Wildcats their toughest game, bowing 25-27 in the first round.

The Montezuma Aztecs finally grabbed the class C diadem after losing by two points in the 1946 and '47 finals. Bill Martin's club nipped another South Georgia team, Portal, 27-25, in the final.

The Canton Greenies, who seldom go a year without winning some kind of tournament, conquered Decatur 39-30, in the NGIC final. The Greenies were mighty tough in this tourney, smarting over their loss to Gainesville in the 9th district semi-finals. They have been 9th district champion almost every year. Decatur, incidentally, eliminated Gainesville in the NGIC tourney.

As always, it is difficult to single out the state's outstanding performer. But almost every coach who observed Cochran's Abner (Sonny) Dykes picked him as the best player. He made all-state for the third straight year, averaging 16.5 points per game. But he seldom played more than three quarters.

## GIAA TOURNAMENT

**At Savannah March 4-5-6**

First Round: Decatur 34, Smith 33; Murphy 47, Richmond Academy 41; Lanier 47, Marist 26; Savannah 44, Columbus 37.

Semi-finals: Murphy 34, Decatur 23; Lanier 36, Savannah 32.

Final: Lanier 43, Murphy 40. Third place: Decatur 56, Savannah 47.



LANIER HIGH SCHOOL, MACON, GEORGIA — G. I. A. A. BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS — 1948

Back row, left to right: Head Coach Selby Buck, Manager Joe Lasseter, Inman Veal, Philip Jones, Elmer Kennedy, Bill Fickling, Bill Parkerson, Bert Schwartz, Bobby Martin, Manager Billy Godwin and Asst. Coach Tom Porter.

Front row, left to right: Jack Lasseter, Claude Greene, Bobby Schwartz (Captain), George Stelljes, and James Lawrence.

## GIAA FINAL STANDINGS

	League	All		Games
		W	L	
Murphy		14	3	16 3
Benedictine		13	3	13 3
Smith		12	4	12 4
Lanier		11	5	17 6
Jordan		9	5	9 5
Savannah		11	7	11 7
Russell		3	2	10 11
Grady		9	6	10 8
Baker Village		7	5	8 5
Russell		3	2	10 11
Decatur		3	2	12 5
Brown		9	8	11 8
Richmond Academy		9	8	9 8
Roosevelt		7	7	7 8
Columbus		7	9	7 9
Marist		4	8	4 7
Rome		2	5	6 13
Bass		4	13	5 15
North Fulton		1	4	6 10
Boys' Catholic		1	6	1 7
Commercial		1	12	1 14
O'Keefe		1	14	2 14
Moultrie		0	2	8 7

## ALL-TOURNAMENT

**First Team:** Jim Umbricht, Decatur; Buck Bradberry, Murphy; Bobby Schwartz, Lanier; Cy Adams and Bill Campbell, Savannah.

**Second Team:** Bill Floyd and Marion Bond, Murphy; Claude Greene, Lanier; Hollis Rumble, Columbus; Dick Weathers, Richmond Academy.

## ALL-GIAA (for 1947-48 Season)

Jim Umbricht, Decatur; Hollis Rumble, Columbus; Bill Floyd and Milford Bennett, Murphy; W. A. Skelton, Smith; Chappell Rhino, Marist; C. M. Adams, Savannah; Bobby Schwartz, Lanier; Barber Douglas, Benedictine; Dick Weathers, Richmond Academy.

## NGIC TOURNAMENT At Druid Hills February 25-28

**First Round:** Gainesville, bye; Decatur 36, LaGrange 19; Fulton 40, Russell 39; North Fulton, bye; Canton, bye; College Park 40, West Fulton 29; Marietta 48, Druid Hills 32; Hapeville, bye.

**Quarter-finals:** Decatur 35, Gainesville 27; North Fulton 44, Fulton 33; Canton 50, College Park 40; Marietta 45, Hapeville 33.

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Semi-finals: Decatur 40, North Fulton 37 (overtime); Canton 49, Marietta 36.

Final: Canton 39, Decatur 30. Third place: Marietta 38, North Fulton 33.

**ALL-NGIC**

Jim Umbright and Lawrence Thompson, Decatur; Roger Weldon, College Park; Charles Hipsher, Marietta; Jackie Roberts, Gainesville; Walter Quinn, Hapeville; Bob Church, North Fulton; Bill English, Russell; Bill Fee, Druid Hills; J. B. Johnson and Bill Cook, Canton.

**FINAL STANDINGS**

	League		All Games	
	W.	L.	W.	L.
Canton	7	0	17	4
Decatur	9	3	12	5
Gainesville	5	2	11	4
College Park	9	7	12	9
Druid Hills	5	4	7	8
Hapeville	6	6	11	7
Marietta	5	6	10	10
Russell	8	9	10	11
North Fulton	6	9	6	10
Fulton	3	11	4	11
West Fulton	1	7	7	11
LaGrange	0	0	7	2

**GEORGIA CLASS B  
TOURNAMENT****At Mercer University, March 1-4**

First Round: Colquitt 38, Rossville 35; Glennville 23, Fort Valley 17.

Quarter-finals: Newnan 28, Colquitt 22; Valdosta 29, Gainesville 27; Athens 47, Cochran 38; Glennville 40, Hapeville 31.

Semi-finals: Valdosta 40, Newnan 29; Glennville 32, Athens 29.

Final: Valdosta 37, Glennville 24.

**ALL-STATE—Class B**

Sonny Stephenson, Billy Grant and Carl Jones, Valdosta; Jesse Finch, Essie Driggers and Dodo Gutierrez, Glennville; Sonny Dykes, Cochran; Jack Turner and Nathan Williams, Athens; Alton Peavy, Newnan.

**GEORGIA CLASS C  
TOURNAMENT****At Mercer University, March 1-5**

First Round: Portal 54, Mansfield 22; Arlington 46, Union Point 19.

Quarter-finals: Portal 31, Central-hatchee 21; Dexter 45, Clyattville 24; Montezuma 40, Dacula 34; Arlington 36, Fitzhugh Lee 30.

Semi-finals: Portal 17, Dexter 15; Montezuma 32, Arlington 24.

Final: Montezuma 27, Portal 25.

**ALL-STATE CLASS C**

Bobby Collins and Don Utley, Portal; Ed Batton, Sonny Nelson, Joel Taylor and Gene Bailey, Montezuma; Ray Ellis and Ray Lightfoot, Arlington; Phil Gilbert, Dexter; Claude Bradberry, Dacula.



**VALDOSTA HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM — STATE CHAMPIONS 1948**

Front row, left to right: Jimmy Metcalf, Carl Jones, Sonny Stephenson, Billy Grant and Coach Wright Bazemore. Back row: Jack Mote, Stanley Allen, Archie Griffin, Jack Hill and George Wallace.

**LEADING SCORERS**

League	NGIC		GIAA		
	League	Games	League	Games	
Roger Weldon, College	Pts.	G.	Hollis Rumble, Columbus	226	16
Park	226	16	Bill Floyd, Murphy	193	17
Bill English, Russell	186	17	Marshall Akers, Bass	178	17
Jim Umbright, Decatur	169	12			
All Games					
Roger Weldon, College			All Games		
Park	305	21	John Allen, Rome	149	19
Chas. Hipsher, Marietta	257	20	Jim Umbright, Decatur	231	17
Jim Umbright, Decatur	231	17	Hollis Rumble, Columbus	226	16



**MONTEZUMA HIGH SCHOOL — CLASS C CHAMPIONS**

First row, left to right: Dick Hangabook, Bob Lindsey, Pat Bishop, Fred Clark, Jack Maffett, John Tallent, Carlton White. Second row: Gene Bailey, Joe DeVaughn, Joel Taylor, Sonny Nelson, Billy Sawyer, Ed Batton, Captain.

## GEORGIA GIRLS' TOURNAMENTS

By S. F. BURKE

HONORS in the Fourth Annual Girls' State Basketball Tournament played at Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, March 10-13, went to Baxley in the Class B and to Fort Gaines in the Class C. Baxley made it two straight state championships in a row and continued its string of successive victories over a period of two seasons to give Bob Davis' girls 71 consecutive victories. Coach William B. King's Fort Gaines team from the Third District made it 29 wins for the season without a loss to annex the Class C title.

### CLASS B

Opening games of the Class B tournament saw Covington take a 59-41 win from Midway, while Glennville ran up an impressive score to win from Hartwell, 47-25.

The second round brought excellent play by all teams. Covington opened the quarter finals with a close 36-33 win over a fine Winder team. Pleasant Grove, last year's Class C champions, but playing in B this year due to increase in size of school, battled Tifton's Blue Angels down to the closing minutes to eke out a 39-37 triumph. Dawson, by virtue of its superior height, eliminated Thomaston 53-42 while Glennville gave Baxley its closest game of the tournament before losing 41-36.

In the semi-finals, Covington and Pleasant Grove staged a ding-dong battle all the way with Covington winning its way to the finals by a one point margin, 47-46. Baxley disposed of Dawson by a top heavy score of 63 to 46.

In the final game with Covington, Baxley took command at the outset and ran the score to 10-3 at the first quarter and held a 25-15 margin at the half. With Gwen Baxley taking advantage of her superior height to drop in 31 points and with the floor work of her supporting forwards, Johnson and Kersey, Baxley built up a margin to hold a 53-37 victory. The excellent work of the Baxley guards held the Covington forwards to a low score. Susanne Gardner led the Covington offense with 13 points.

### CLASS C

In the opening round of the Class C tournament, Portal took an easy



BAXLEY HIGH SCHOOL — GIRLS' CLASS B CHAMPIONS

Repeat as Georgia State Class B Champions — Baxley High School's Girls' Basketball Team won the State Championship for the second successive time when they defeated Covington in the finals at Macon, 53-33, and became the first team in the history of the tournament to repeat the performance. Left to right: Gwen Baxley, Madeline Fields, Mary Johnson, Joyce Padgett, Janelle Ham, Jeanette Baxley, Nell Beecher, Claudette Taylor, Lillie Mae Kersey, Inez Chandler, Jeanelle Branch and Betty Jean Caraway. Coach Bob Davis is in the foreground.

Baxley's girls completed its second successive undefeated season March 15 in Waycross when Willacoochee was defeated 59-28 in the Eighth District playoff game between the Class B and C champions. Undefeated for the season in 39 ball games the Baxley girls scored a total of 2,502 points against 706 for the opposition. Leading scorer for the Baxley girls was Mary Johnson, five foot eight inch forward, with an even 1,000 points. Kersey was next with 650, with Gwen Baxley and Claudette Taylor next with 491 and 252 respectively. This makes a total of 72 successive ball games won by Baxley over a two-year period.

Coach Bob Davis, who has been mentor of the Baxley girls since 1939, except for a four-year period during World War II, has lost only one regular scheduled game in the last 144 games played and his overall coaching average over the ten year period is 10 games lost in 185 for an average of .946.

win from Mansfield, 55-23, while Willacoochee and Lilburn staged a fine game with Lilburn getting the nod 40-37.

In the quarter finals, a last minute drive put Toombsboro out in front to eliminate Portal 39 to 34. Damascus, paced by Carolyn Daniel, who set a new record for individual scoring in the tournaments by tallying 63 points, won from Taylorsville in a high scoring game 73-47. Fort Gaines took an easy win from Tignall 42 to 20 while Lilburn defeated Woodbury 31-18.

In the semi-finals, Toombsboro proved no match for the tall Damascus team and went down 53 to 25. Fort Gaines and Lilburn played

a hard game, with Fort Gaines the winner 44-35.

Excellent guard play which covered Carolyn Daniels and held her to 27 points while a smooth working offense tallied 45 points, enabled Fort Gaines to win the Class C title from Damascus by the score of 45 to 37. Fort Gaines held a one point lead at the first quarter and a similar margin at the half. In the third quarter, Fort Gaines extended their lead to 34-29 and were never headed. Consistent shooting by the Fort Gaines forwards, paced by Marion Killingsworth with 20 points, gave Fort Gaines the necessary tallies for the win.

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**ALL-STATE SELECTIONS****CLASS B****Forwards:**

Lillie Mae Kersey, Baxley  
 Margaret Kicklighter, Glennville  
 Patsy Daniels, Dawson  
 Geneva Smith, Pleasant Grove  
 Gwen Baxley, Baxley  
 Joan Ann Edwards, Covington

**Guards:**

Margie Fallin, Tifton  
 Martha Bates, Pleasant Grove  
 Flora Jean McLendon, Dawson  
 Jeane Avery, Covington  
 Mildred Kicklighter, Glennville  
 Nell Beecher, Baxley

**CLASS C****Forwards:**

Sue Ellen Holliman, Toombsboro  
 Carolyn Daniel, Damascus  
 Marion Killingsworth, Fort Gaines  
 Roberta Killebrew, Damascus  
 Joan Harris, Taylorsville  
 Jean Stephens, Lilburn

**Guards:**

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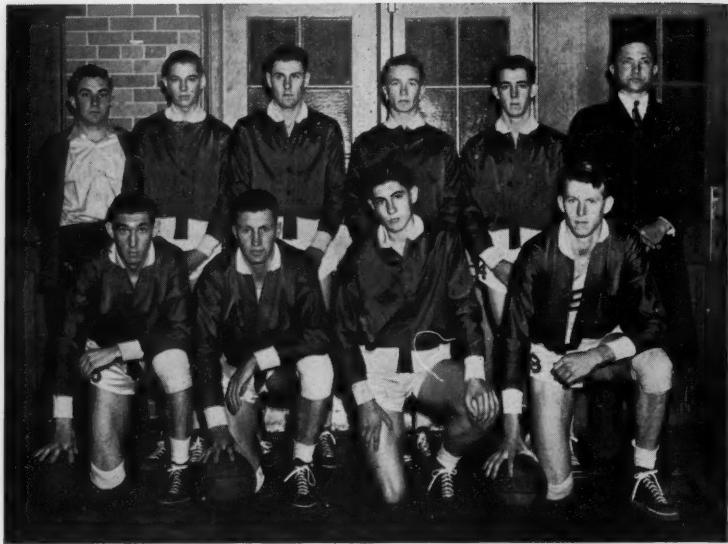
# ALABAMA

By RONALD WEATHERS

Alabama crowned two state champion high school basketball teams in 1948. Etowah County, of Attalla, won the larger schools' championship, defeating McGill, of Mobile, 36-25, in the finals. Hubbertville, a North Alabama quintet, edged out Corner, of Jefferson County, 18-17, for the smaller schools' title.

It was the first time in the 28-year history of Alabama prep cage tournaments that the larger and smaller schools had been split into separate camps. The meets, sanctioned by the AHSAA and sponsored by the Tuscaloosa Junior Chamber of Commerce and the University of Alabama, were held on successive week ends of March 12-13 and March 19-20 on the University's campus.

Right from the start, the larger schools' or 'A' Division tournament developed into a fight between high-scoring McGill Institute, of Mobile, and a smart, aggressive outfit, Etowah County, of Attalla.



ETOWAH COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL — ALABAMA STATE CHAMPIONS, 1948

Front row, left to right: Bill Brown, Donald Henderson, Hardee Hester and Jack Schwartz. Back row: J. D. Watson, Manager; Robert Medlin, Excell Hester, Earl Davis, Max Mullins and Coach Jim Glover.

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In the first round Etowah eliminated Wetumpka, 56-43. McGill countered with a whopping 61-26 decision over Foley. Etowah beat out a powerful Moulton quint, 47-39, in the quarter-finals, and McGill followed by bouncing Woodlawn, of Birmingham, 61-27.

It was in the semi-finals and finals that Etowah's class really was brought out. While McGill ran into trouble in eliminating Fayette, 26-23, Etowah finished off a scrappy Sidney Lanier team from Montgomery, 39-28. In the finals Etowah made it look easy, running up an 8-1 first quarter lead, ballooning it into an 18-7 halftime advantage and coasting in from there.

Excell Hester, ball-hawking captain of the Etowah team, was voted the tournament's most valuable player. J. E. Glover, in his first season at Etowah, coached the Attalla team. His 1947 football team, incidentally, went through its campaign undefeated.

Three teams—Woodlawn, Albert G. Parrish, of Selma, and Scottsboro—put in bids for their third state championship. Parrish was elimi-

nated by Scottsboro, and the Scotts bowed out to Fayette in the quarter-finals. Woodlawn, after defeating Tallahassee, lost to McGill.

Only one former state champion—Milltown—was on hand for the 'B' Division tournament, and that team was beaten by Orrville in the first round.

Ragland, Curry, of Walker County, and Corner were tabbed the teams to beat in the smaller schools' meet—and that's what happened to every one of 'em. Ragland, after beating Crossville, bowed to Chatom in the quarter-finals. Curry likewise went out in the second round, losing to Gurley after beating Millerville.

Corner stuck it out until the finals, whipping Columbia, 47-31; Orrville, 47-40, and Chatom 33-30. Meanwhile Hubbertville, a lightly-regarded entry, polished off Camp Hill, 28-25; Perry County, of Marion, 34-24, and Gurley, 31-25. Overcoming a one-point halftime deficit the North Alabama team went on to outsmart Corner in the second half for the state 'B' crown, winning, 18-17.

Tom Langston, Corner center, led tournament scorers with 60 points

# LOUISIANA

By LEO ADDE

**N**EW Orleans extended its domination over Louisiana Class AA prep basketball to eight years, and Jesuit Blue Jays won their fourth state cage championship in the annual state rally, March 4-5, in the L. S. U. Coliseum in Baton Rouge.

Jesuit defeated Holy Cross, another New Orleans school, 37 to 29 in the final game. Natchitoches beat Morgan City 54 to 48 for the Class A title. Denham Spring won the Class B crown with a 50 to 40 victory over Marthaville. Meaux defeated Friendship 31 to 21 for the Class C championship.

Pre-tourney favorite St. Aloysius, winner of 15 straight games and the New Orleans city championship, was upset by Holy Cross 42 to 55 in the semi-finals. Dave Perret, a sub forward for the "Saints" all season, set a new tournament scoring record of 40 points in the consolation game that St. Aloysius won from Catholic High of Baton Rouge, 62 to 25.

Thus New Orleans put its top trio into the first three places in the statewide tournament, but in reverse order. Jesuit finished third among eight in the city league, winning 10 and losing 4.

Coach Gernon Brown's Blue Jay team had only one returnee from the 1947 city co-champions, Captain Joe Shirer. Brown completed his first string with graduates of the junior squad, and a football player, Mire Thomas, who had never before played basketball.

After Jesuit won the championship game, Coach Brown, who handles all four major sports, announced that he was retiring from basketball coaching.

The tournament team results didn't produce the only unexpected developments. Only one major player who was chosen on the all-city team of the New Orleans Item made its all-tourney five. He was Dick Brennan, freshman center of St. Aloysius.

Other citywide all-stars were Nick Revon, of St. Aloysius, and Jimmy Clair, of Holy Cross, at forwards; Joe Shirer, of Jesuit, and Kirk Drake, of St. Aloysius, at guards.

They were supplanted in the state tournament by forwards Jules Mugnier, of Jesuit, and Dave Perret, of



**JESUIT HIGH — LOUISIANA STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS, 1948**  
Bottom row, left to right: Richard Francis, James Horridge, Leo Ayers, James Nissel, James Thomas.  
Middle row: Fr. Lambert Dorn, S. J., Athletic Director; Clifford Cantine, James Warren, Manager; Joseph Shirer, Coach Gernon Brown.  
Back row: Louis Mailhes, Jules Mugnier, Louis Buuck, Mire Thomas, George Croetsch.



**ISTRUMA — LOUISIANA GIRLS' CHAMPIONS, 1948**  
Standing, left to right: Sue Don Peel, Mary V. Frazee, Nettie Disch, Annie Laurie Laird, Margie Vincent, Vicki Bergeron.  
Kneeling: Betty Caillouet, Jeanne Thompson, Dorothy Averett, Lois Craig, Billie Ann Blankenship.



NICK REVON

St. Aloysius, and guards Gerry Rongier, of Holy Cross, and Leo Ayers, of Jesuit.

**Revon**, who closed his high school athletic career with a record unique in New Orleans' prep history, was hampered by an injured ankle in the tournament. The 18-year-old, five-foot-nine sophomore, too old for further competition, made the New Orleans' all-prep team and led the city in scoring every year he played.

As an eighth-grader in 1946, he accounted for 180 points and received the most-valuable player award. He added 269 points in 1947, and 234 the past campaign, when a coaches' vote again named him most valuable.

**PELICAN PICKINGS:** **Perret**, the St. Aloysius lad who set the 40-point record, totaled 41 during the regular season . . . **Byrd**, of Shreveport, 1940 champion, is the most recent non-New Orleans school to win the state basketball championship . . . **Jesuit** and **St. Aloysius** played before 4,500 in Tulane gym at mid-season . . . The Baton Rouge tourney drew 128 teams in the four classes . . . Only 11 were in Boys' Class AA . . . Girls' champions were Istrouma in AA, Many in A, Baskin in B, and Linville in C Class . . . Boys' district titlists were Lake Charles in the Southwest and Ouachita in the North.

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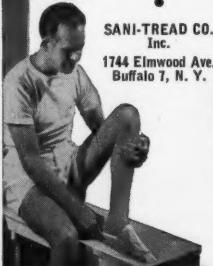
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# DON'T LET THAT 440 SCARE YOU

By M. C. PAGET  
Track Coach, Georgia Military Academy

How many times have you heard a sigh and a groan from the squad when you announced all would run the quarter today? Tradition handed down about the 440 reminds me of that old Latin bug-a-booo. Most failures in Latin are before the student ever takes a lesson because some one has told him "to stay as far from Latin as you can". Most coaches will readily agree with you when you say the quarter is a "killer." This feeling is bound to react in the runner. As a result, the coach who agrees with the runner about the 440 hesitates to "punish" the boys by making them run the quarter. Consequently, the boy who runs the 440 the day of the meet is ready to drop at the end of the race simply because he is not in condition for the race.

I'll never forget my very pleasant year of teaching and coaching with Jimmie Rike at The Baylor School in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Jimmie makes a habit of running sprinters, distance men and weight men a 440 as the last thing on the practice schedule each day. As a result, Baylor's track teams are always in condition and are outstanding.

A lot depends on the coach and his enthusiasm for an event as to whether he has an outstanding man in that event. If a coach takes pride in one or more special events you may rest assured his men will deliver their best performances in those events, year in and year out. We here at the Georgia Military Academy stress the quarter. Consequently, we are able to build up a keen desire in the runners to excel in the 440.

After timing, each boy is given his time and a chart is made showing each runner's time. When I say "every runner", I mean every track man from the Freshmen down to the two hundred pound weight man. Of course, you will not have your runners begging to run the quarter but you will find that they look forward to beating their old time. Of course, all runners will show a marked improvement the next few times you time them. This is readily



*Major Paget is a graduate of the University of Alabama. He has served as Head Track Coach at Georgia Military Academy for twenty years. During that period his teams have won the State High School Championship seven times, placed second five times and have finished below third place only three times.*

understood because they are getting into shape. This improvement will arouse enthusiasm and the track bug is nibbling.

By the way, this holds good in other events and enthusiasm is so very necessary in building a track team.

Frankly, I place the blame for the poor times and distaste for the 440 on the lack of proper coaching. Don't tell your runners to "Go out there and give it all you have for a lap." If you do, you are likely to have a good 220, a fair 330, but a terrible 440, and a boy who is ready to drop as he crosses the finish line.

Explain to your men when to sprint and when to stride. Most 440 runs are started about fifty yards from the curve. Impress on the runner the importance of sprinting to the curve and making a bid for the inside lane. This is a distinct advantage for it not only means he has less distance to run but it will prob-

ably cause his opponent to break his stride. After teaching the runner to fight for the curve insist on his lengthening his stride without materially slowing down. Hold this stride and force a challenger to run wide if he chooses to pass on the curve.

On the back stretch caution the runner **not to sprint**. He should make a bid for passing with an increased stride but warn him about being over anxious and breaking into a sprint. Hold the stride around the curve and as he comes into the last stretch "kick" it in with a sprint. Many a quarter is won in the last seventy-five yards. By the way, don't get the habit of catching your men at the finish line. It looks bad and frequently causes your runner to finish the race too soon.

Last year the Georgia Military Academy had four runners doing better than 54 in the quarter. I am sure all will agree this is not too bad for a high school. Our mile relay teams have been consistent winners for several years. The best time last year was 3:32.5.

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**Below:** Joe Conine, Captain and all round track star at G. M. A.



# GAYNELL TINSLEY

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**GAYNELL TINSLEY**

A brand new precedent was set when Gaynell Tinsley was appointed Louisiana State's 21st head football coach, but Bengal supporters are shedding no tears over this break with tradition.

In all of LSU's 55 years of football, Tinsley is the first alumnus to take over the reins at Tigertown, and close observers see a trend toward new gridiron glory under the guidance of home-grown talent. Of course, there's a widespread bogey to the effect that alumni coaches start with two strikes against them, but folks here are in a mood to give it a thorough trial.

Certainly Gaynell Tinsley's football background leaves nothing to be desired. He came to the University during its greatest days of gridiron glory, and left securely established as one of the greatest players ever to don the Purple and Gold. No Tiger before his time had ever been a recognized All-American, but he made up lost ground by crashing the all-star selections for two consecutive years.

If there remained any doubts as to Tinsley's brilliance, they were forgotten when Gaynell moved up to the professional Chicago Cardinals and made the all-pro team in his first two seasons. Such a qualified observer as old Bronko Nagurski named Tinsley on his all-time all-pro eleven, with the remark that he had never seen an end who could "do everything as well."

The author of these feats was born in Haynesville, La.,

on February 1, 1915, thus qualifying as a full-fledged native son. He went to Homer High School and was an all-state selection while prepping there. Yet, ironically enough, it was a basketball scholarship that originally brought the youngster to LSU, although he never played a single game on the hardwood during his college career.

Col. Lawrence "Biff" Jones was head man at Ole Lou during Tinsley's freshman and sophomore years, and he brought the husky rookie along fast. But it wasn't until Bernie Moore took over the helm in 1935 that Gaynell really shot to the top of the heap. In that '35 season, Moore's Bengals paced the conference, and a terrific job of defensive end play by Tinsley was one of the big reasons why. Most of the All-America selectors recognized that fact when the shooting was over.

If the 1935 Tinsley had been terrific, the '36 model defied description. Still a peerless defensive terminal, Gaynell suddenly became a great pass catcher in the bargain, and ran like a halfback in an open field. He helped LSU to a second straight conference title, and a second straight trip to the Sugar Bowl. This time the All-America boys were unanimous in his praises, and the Chicago Cardinals took their cue.

Tinsley was an immediate success in the pro league, although the Cards were something of a doormat in those days. As a pass receiver, "Gus" rated second only to the great Don Hutson, and as a defensive end, second to none. He performed the rare feat of making the all-league team in his recruit season, and repeated the following year, 1938.

But, in 1939, an injury kept Tinsley out of action, and although he tried again in 1940, he couldn't shake it off. Then it was that he took his first fling at the coaching game, as end mentor at his alma mater. He was still holding down that assignment when the U. S. Navy beckoned in February, 1943. Gaynell's career afloat was short, however; the old injury sent him back to civvies with a medical discharge, and he returned to his birthplace as head coach at Haynesville High.

In the fall of 1945, Tinsley began his second, and current tour of duty at LSU, once more tutoring the Tiger ends.

The success of Tinsley's coaching methods has been amply illustrated ever since. The man's great reputation draws fine young ends to Tigertown in droves, and he has developed his material masterfully. As a result, Tiger terminal play has been a team strong point and a source of wonder to the opposition during the three post-war seasons.

Besides technical excellence, Coach Tinsley brings one other valuable trait to his new job — immense personal popularity. Jovial, witty, and a good mixer, "Gus" has amassed a large following throughout Louisiana and surrounding states. He's fallen heir to a tough job, has "Gus," but there'll be plenty of people pulling for him besides Mrs. Tinsley and baby daughter Annell.

## Southeastern Conference Baseball Schedule

**March 22-23**—Alabama at Florida

**March 29-30**—Mississippi at Auburn

**April 2-3**—Tennessee at Auburn, Vanderbilt at Georgia Tech, Mississippi State at Louisiana State

**April 5-6**—Mississippi at Alabama, Mississippi State at Tulane

**April 7-8**—Kentucky at Auburn, Florida at Mississippi

**April 9-10**—Georgia at Auburn, Kentucky at Georgia Tech, Vanderbilt at Tennessee, Alabama at Louisiana State, Florida at Mississippi State

**April 14-15**—Tennessee at Georgia Tech

**April 16-17**—Auburn at Georgia Tech, Kentucky at Vanderbilt, Tennessee at Georgia, Louisiana State at Mississippi State, Tulane at Mississippi

**April 19-20**—Louisiana State at Alabama

**April 21**—Georgia at Vanderbilt, Florida at Auburn

**April 22**—Mississippi at Mississippi State, Georgia at Vanderbilt, Florida at Auburn

**April 23**—Georgia at Kentucky, Georgia Tech at Tennessee, Florida at Alabama, Mississippi at Mississippi State

**April 24**—Florida at Alabama, Georgia at Kentucky, Georgia Tech at Tennessee

**April 26-27**—Vanderbilt at Kentucky, Alabama at Mississippi State, Louisiana State at Mississippi

**April 28-29**—Auburn at Tennessee

**April 30**—Louisiana State at Tulane (2), Auburn at Kentucky, Georgia at Tennessee, Mississippi State at Alabama

**May 1**—Auburn at Kentucky, Georgia at Tennessee, Mississippi State at Alabama

**May 3-4**—Alabama at Mississippi, Mississippi State at Florida

**May 7**—Tulane at Louisiana State (2), Auburn at Georgia, Georgia Tech at Kentucky, Tennessee at Vanderbilt

**May 8**—Auburn at Georgia, Georgia Tech at Kentucky, Tennessee at Vanderbilt

**May 10-11**—Mississippi State at Mississippi

**May 14**—Georgia Tech at Georgia, Kentucky at Tennessee, Vanderbilt at Auburn

**May 15**—Georgia at Georgia Tech, Kentucky at Tennessee, Vanderbilt at Auburn

**May 17-18**—Georgia Tech at Auburn

**May 19-20**—Kentucky at Georgia

**May 21**—Auburn at Vanderbilt, Georgia Tech at Georgia, Kentucky at Tennessee

**May 22**—Georgia at Georgia Tech, Kentucky at Tennessee, Auburn at Vanderbilt

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## G. M. A. Scene of Ninth Clinic

THE NINTH Annual Coaching Clinic, conducted under the sponsorship of the Georgia Athletic Coaches' Association, will be held at Georgia Military Academy again this summer. The basketball session is scheduled for August 12, 13 and 14 and the football session will come August 16, 17 and 18. The basketball session will be climaxed by an All-Star basketball game between the North Georgia and South Georgia All-Star teams and the football program will be topped off with an All-Star football game at Grant Field the night of August 18. The single wing and T-formation will be presented with Coach Red Sanders, of Vanderbilt, covering the single wing and Jim Tatum, of the University of Maryland, presenting the case for the split-T. For demonstration purposes, one of the All-Star teams will employ the single wing and the other will use the T-formation.

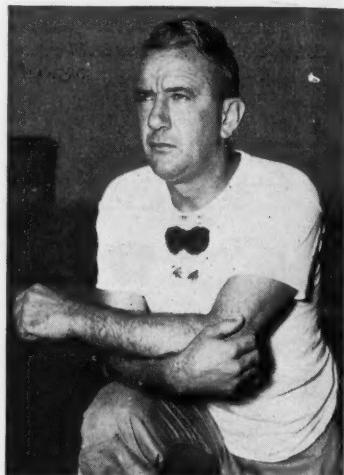
This will be the first appearance of Coach Sanders and Coach Tatum on the program of the Georgia Clinic. Coach Sanders is beginning his sixth year at Vanderbilt, where his teams have won 28 games, lost 20, and tied one, scoring 882 points to their opponents 428. This record is more impressive when viewed in the light of Vanderbilt's high scholastic requirements and the tough schedule that Vanderbilt plays. Sanders was Backfield Coach at L. S. U. before going to Vanderbilt as Head Coach.

Coach Tatum is a graduate of North Carolina U., where he was an All-Southern Conference tackle. He assisted Carl Snavely at Carolina and then went with him to Cornell U. where he was also Assistant Football Coach and Head Baseball Coach. He returned to Carolina and in 1942 became Head Coach. That year he entered the Navy under the Physical Fitness Program and was assigned to Iowa Sea Hawks where he became interested in the split-T formation under the training of Don Fauret, then Head Coach at Iowa in the Navy.

Tatum was transferred to Jacksonville Navy and there became the Head Coach and won the National



JIM TATUM



H. R. SANDERS

Service Championship in 1946. After his discharge, he served one year at Oklahoma U. before coming to Maryland, where he is beginning his second season.

Assisting Coach Tatum with the discussions and demonstrations on the T-formation will be George Barclay, his Assistant Coach at Maryland. Barclay was the first All-American that the University of North Carolina produced. He served as Assistant Coach at North Carolina, V. M. I., and Dartmouth before joining Tatum at Maryland.

The North Georgia All-Star football team will be handled this year by Coach Jim Cavan, of Griffin High School, and Coach Oliver Hunnicutt, of LaGrange High School. The South Georgia All-Star team will be handled by Coach Wright Bazemore, of Valdosta High School and Coach Bob Sperry, of Albany High School.

Work in track and athletic training will also be included in the week's program. Instructors in these subjects will be selected at a meeting which will be held as we go to press with this issue.

The Georgia Clinic was started in 1938, when the coaching staffs of Georgia Tech and the University of Georgia donated their services as instructors to give the Association a running start. It has now grown in interest and service to rival the best

coaching schools that are conducted throughout the nation. In addition to the instructional phase of the clinic, interesting social functions are also planned. One night is set aside for a big Coaches' Party, and the Sunday luncheon at the Atlanta Athletic Club has come to be an annual event, to which the coaches look forward.

Through the generous cooperation of Georgia Military Academy, the Coaches' Association has an ideal set-up for conducting their clinic. The excellent facilities of the Academy, including lecture rooms, practice fields, gym, swimming pool, tennis court, dining hall and dormitory are available to the coaches. Those who wish to take room and meals at G. M. A. may do so at the nominal charge of \$3.00 per day, while those who prefer to stay down town at hotels may do so without inconvenience.

Complete plans, including the selection of the All-Star players, are being made as the presses are running on this issue and will be announced in the May issue. If you can't wait until then to find out all details of the biggest and best clinic that the Association has yet conducted, write Dwight Keith, Secretary, 751 Park Drive, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

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# NATIONAL FEDERATION NEWS

By H. V. PORTER

**C.** A. SEMLER (President, Michigan Association) reported on activities of the Joint Baseball Committee and related developments. His report was supplemented by comments by SECRETARY W. E. SHORT (New Jersey). This report included many interesting sidelights on the baseball program and many valuable data are shown on the summary which is included with these minutes.

SECRETARY H. R. PETERSON (Minnesota) made a full report on the experiences of his state in connection with the summer athletic program and the report also included results of a study which had been made of the status of the summer athletic program in all of the states. This report indicated that more than twenty states have taken action which either inaugurates a summer athletic program or makes it possible for the state association to en-

courage such activity. The states of Minnesota and Iowa have taken the lead in this matter and more than a hundred schools in each of these states participate in a summer athletic program. Examples of modifications which have been recently made in order to encourage activity of this kind are those in Illinois and Indiana. The Illinois by-laws were modified at their recent annual meeting to make it clear that the board of control has authority to set up a summer athletic program for high schools with certain modified eligibility requirements.

In Indiana, a recent poll was taken of all high school executives to determine their sentiment about the encouraging of a summer program. The vote was heavily in favor of such activity and the board of control has authority to inaugurate a program.

Mr. Peterson mentioned some of the problems which have grown up in connection with this work. This included an overlapping of the American Legion Baseball Program. The Legion in Minnesota sponsored an all-star tournament which conflicted with the high school eligibility rules. Through conferences with National Legion Headquarters, this difficulty was finally eliminated when the Legion decided to discontinue its all-star activities in any area where there are high school rules or policies in opposition to such contests. Legion Director Dale Miller proved to be very helpful in bringing about a cooperative working arrangement. Other problems which have arisen in connection with the summer program are those caused by the fact that most of the high school offices are closed during the major portion of the summer and it is very difficult to maintain contacts between the schools and the state association office. There are also problems because the high school pupils are widely scattered during the summer months and many of them have jobs which prevent their attendance at practice periods. Despite all of these difficulties, the Minnesota board of control and, as far as can be determined, the high school executives, are firmly convinced that this has been a step in the right di-

rection and one which has unlimited possibilities for development.

This report was supplemented by comments by DIRECTOR T. C. FERGUSON (Maryland), who announced that his state has inaugurated a summer program for the high schools of Maryland. They expect it to have a steady expansion.

**PANEL DISCUSSION ON BOARD OF CONTROL PRACTICES:** A very interesting panel discussion was participated in by PRESIDENT M. M. FERGUSON (Florida), who served as chairman, PRESIDENT HAROLD McSWANE (Indiana), PRESIDENT COLTON MEEK (Oregon), and PRESIDENT C. E. NELSON (Tennessee). This brought out many interesting practices which are followed in connection with board of control meetings and with responsibilities which are undertaken by members of such boards. The discussion outlined the procedure through which eligibility cases are heard. For the most part, interested member school executives are expected to report infractions of eligibility and contest rules. These reports are sometimes followed up by investigations by the commissioner or by a board member who may be in the vicinity of the alleged infraction. When the board of control announces a hearing, all pertinent facts are presented by the commissioner. The president of the board presides. Defendant and plaintiff are given full opportunity to present their sides of the case. The board then usually sits in executive session to decide the case and to assess penalties. For the most part, penalties are in the nature of suspension. In a few cases, many penalties are assessed and schools are sometimes put on probation. In extreme cases, schools are suspended for an indefinite period and until such time as there are changes in the school system to indicate a complete change of policy in connection with adherence to state association regulations.

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP** by the VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE was presented. This application was sponsored by the New York State Association, and Secretary John K. Archer expressed



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the delight of the entire group in welcoming "The Old Dominion." His remarks included the following:

"It is with great pleasure that we extend the hand of fellowship to 'The Old Dominion.' We hail the secondary schools of this progressive state, which are joined together in the Virginia High School League. We extend a welcome to this league as the forty-fifth member of our National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations. We feel confident that the schools of Virginia will benefit from this cooperative association with the thousands of schools in other states which are a part of our national organization. Mr. President, I move the acceptance of Virginia as a welcome member of the National Federation."

This motion was seconded by S. F. Burge and unanimously carried. Secretary Richard Fletcher responded with appropriate comments which were later supplemented by his response to the initiatory introduction at the time of the luncheon which followed.

Upon question from the floor as to the section in which Virginia should be placed, the Chair ruled that, temporarily, Virginia would have its choice as to whether to be in Section 1 or Section 2. The Virginia representative chose Section 1 with the understanding that on account of the proportionate number of schools in the two sections, the state would probably be made a part of Section 2 when permanent assignment is made.

The group discussed a number of items of mutual interest. These included policies connected with: allied members; distant games; non-school contests; non-member competition; girls' athletic programs; and overlapping programs which are sponsored by related organizations.

**AN AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW ARTICLE II — SECTION 2** was presented. This had been submitted to all states sixty days or more before the date of meeting. It had been studied by most of those present and had been discussed in sessions prior to the business meeting. The proposed amendment was as follows:

"Section 2. No school which is a member of a Federation member state high school association shall compete in any of the following contests unless such contest has been sanctioned by each of the interested state associations through the National Federation: (a) any interstate tournament or meet in which three or more schools participate; (b) any interstate two-school contest which

involves a round trip exceeding 600 miles; (c) any interstate two-school contest (regardless of the distance to be travelled) which is sponsored by an individual or an organization other than a member high school."

Submitted by Ohio and Indiana

It was pointed out that no change is intended for Sections (a) and (b). Section (c) is new and is designed to give a degree of control over certain interstate contests which are sponsored by non-school organizations and which use high school teams as competitors. It was moved by T. C. Ferguson, seconded by Albert Willis and unanimously voted to adopt the proposed amend-

ment. The Chair declared the motion carried and the new statement a part of the By-Laws, to take effect immediately.

**THE JOINT FOOTBALL CONFERENCES** designed to secure a **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT** whereby the football rules will be made up by the National Federation for the high schools and the N. C. A. A. for the colleges and whereby both groups can agree on a common wording and arrangement were discussed at length. These had also received attention in several of the preceding sessions. It was pointed out that these conferences had resulted in an agreement which would



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The Southern Co-Ed this month is LINDA MYRICK, a freshman at the University of Alabama. Linda is majoring in commercial art in the College of Arts and Sciences and is rated as an excellent student. She takes an active part in school activities and her popularity on the campus is evidenced by the fact that she was chosen SOUTHERN CO-ED from 18 candidates who were entered by the dormitories and sororities on the campus.

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**MID-SOUTH**

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side of the ledger at the half. McCallie scored again right after the half, but then made only one point during the rest of the third quarter, while Baylor raced to a 24-20 lead. With four minutes to go Baylor led 29-24 but baskets by Lazenby and Hartley and a free throw by each team cut the lead to one point. A field goal by Welch put McCallie in the lead and Sander made one of two free throws good to send the game into extra periods with a 31-31 score. In the first period each team scored once and in the second "sudden death" period Harry Stowers flipped one in for McCallie after 13 seconds and the Blue were still champions 35-33.

C.M.A. won from T.M.I. 50-40 to take third place in the tournament, and in the consolation finals G.M.A. beat Darlington 32-28. Previous scores in the consolation bracket were G.M.A. 35, St. Andrews 14, G.M.A. 43, Notre Dame 40, and Darlington 39, S.M.A. 37.

Teeter Umstead, Baylor guard and captain, was named the most valuable player in the tournament, and with him on the all-Tournament team were Don Lazenby, Talbot Trammell, and Charles Kollmansperger of McCallie, and his teammate, Bill Crawford. On the second team were Bill Hartley of McCallie, J. V. Howell and Bill Ford of T.M.I. and Evan Allen and Doug Reeves of C.M.A.

The tournament was the twenty-second on the record books, the first fourteen being held in Nashville. Since then five have been held in Chattanooga, two at Sewanee, and one was a split affair with the Eastern tourney in Chattanooga, the Western division in Nashville, and the finalists in both divisions meeting in Nashville for the title. This year's McCallie win evens the score with eleven Chattanooga area winners, and eleven from the Nashville sector. Castle Heights with seven titles and M.B.A. and Father Ryan with two each have accounted for all the Western titles. In the Chattanooga area, McCallie and Baylor have each won four titles with Notre Dame, T.M.I. and Central High of Chattanooga (an invitational entry in 1929) winning one each.

J. V. Howell of T.M.I. led the tournament scoring with 56 points in four games followed by Umstead of Baylor and Ford of T.M.I. with

49 each and Don Lazenby of McCallie with 41 points and Allen of C.M.A. with 40. Others scoring more than 30 points include Alfred Tumolo of G.M.A. with 38, Bill Crawford of Baylor 35, Kollmansperger, McCallie 34, Hartley, McCallie 33, Gerald Johnson, B.G.A., Henry Duncan, T.M.I. and Talbot Trammell, McCallie with 32 each and Doug Reeves and Bill Stanfill of C.M.A. with 30 each. Gerald Johnson of B.G.A. had the highest average per game, 16 points, as his 32 were scored in two games. Five others averaged 10 or more points per game, though scoring less than thirty points; Bob Badger and Jack Moore of Castle Heights, Terry Cotter of Notre Dame, James Hoover of S.M.A., and Frank Giles of B.G.A.

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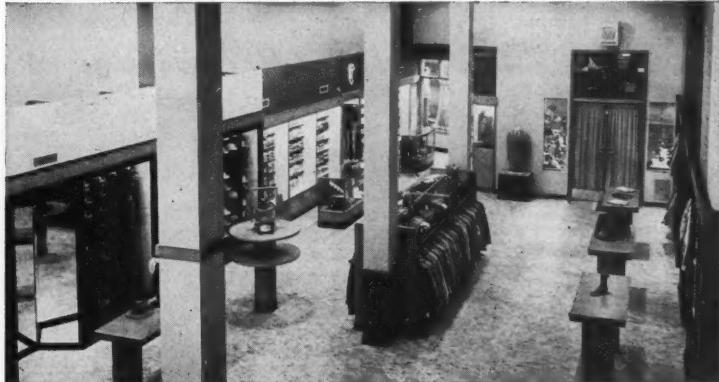
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**COMMUNITY RECREATION**

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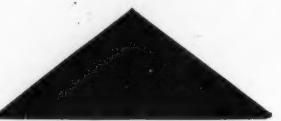
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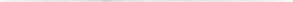
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The Dade County Council of Social Agencies has, during the past year, become increasingly concerned with youth and recreation problems. A recreation division with a full-time paid director has been set up by the Council. This will serve as a clearing house for all recreational matters in the county. The schools, of course, individually and collectively, will be important factors in the work of this division and in the carrying out of its objectives.

Future plans of this recreation division of the Council include a Youth Council which will be a co-

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ordinating agency for all recreation- al agencies serving youth. This Youth Council, representing the entire county, will provide a medium of expression for youth on their recreational needs and desires and give them an opportunity to share in the planning of their own recreation problems affecting youth within their particular community. Camping, which is becoming increasingly important as a school and recreational activity, is planned as a future objective of the division. Plans for the future also include provision of facilities for the recreative activities of older people.

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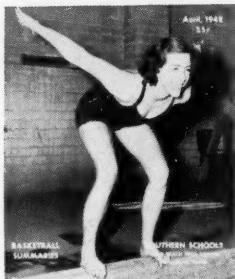
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Work your men on frequent fast three hundred yard runs, with special stress on the stride. When you work them on the full distance stress a fast start but have them stride all the way after that. Emphasize a good first 220. If your men cannot run a good 220 they will not make good 440 men. On the other hand, if your man can run a good quarter you might step him up to the 880 without too much trouble. In working your runner up to the 440 it is best to set a speed of about 27 seconds for the first 220. This will allow him to run a 29 last 220 and still have a fair time for the quarter. After the runner gets his times down he will be able to make a 56 without too much effort. From this point on he should work on cutting the first 220 down to 26.5 and the last 220 down to 28.5 giving him a 55, which will win most high school meets.

It would be hard to pick G.M.A.'s best quarter miler. Bill Proctor, later Captain of West Point's track team, ran consistently under 51. Perrin Walker, now Track Coach at Grady High in Atlanta, though not a 440 man, should have been. He only ran the quarter once and that was without competition, and he ran a 52. Ben Sutton, now attending the University of Georgia, could break 51. Ben Laney, Kent O'Connor and Conine all ran under 52 at times.

In closing, I would like to drop a

hint for building supporters for your Track Team. Run that meet off hurriedly. No dual meet should take more than two hours to run. Frequently you can cut this time down. Start your pole vault and shot put about fifteen minutes before the running events. Then continue to hold field and track events at the same time. Do not hold an event for a man. Follow the guide and don't start changing your order of events. It is the coaches' responsibility to have the contestant ready for each event. Don't drag your meet! It will kill the enthusiasm.

**COVER PHOTO**

Dent Richards holds five National Junior A.A.U. champion gold medals. She is the National Junior A.A.U. 220-yard freestyle champion —300-yard individual medley —200-yard backstroke champion. Also voted Most Outstanding Swimmer of year in the Southeast, 1947. Senior at Druid Hills High School—16 years old and is planning to stay in Atlanta. Will attend the Georgia Junior College next year in order to continue swimming. She represents the Atlanta Swimming Association.

In winning the National Junior A.A.U. 200-yard backstroke championship and setting a National record, Dent has established herself as the most outstanding feminine swimmer that the State of Georgia has produced and ranks with the best in Southern competitive swimming.

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## 'A' Division

## First Round

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Etowah County 56, Wetumpka 43.  
Lanier, Montgomery, 41, Dothan  
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Decatur 49, Foley 27.  
Woodlawn, Birmingham, 45, Tal-  
lassee 34.

McGill 61, Elba 26.  
Fayette 43, Talladega 42.  
Scottsboro 46, Parrish, Selma 30.

## Quarter-Finals

Etowah 47, Moulton 39.  
Lanier 34, Decatur 33.

McGill 61, Woodlawn 27.  
Fayette 27, Scottsboro 26.

## Semi-Finals

Etowah 39, Lanier 28.  
McGill 26, Fayette 23.

## Finals

Etowah 36, McGill 25.  
Consolation

Fayette 32, Lanier 24.  
'B' Division

## First Round

Chatom 30, Meek 15.  
Ragland 36, Crossville 32.

Corner 47, Columbia 31.  
Orrville 56, Milltown 39.  
Gurley 32, Frisco City 30.

Curry 48, Millerville 30.  
Perry County (Marion) 36, Abbe-

ville 12.

Hubertville 28, Camp Hill 25.

## Quarter-Finals

Chatom 29, Ragland 28.

Corner 47, Orrville 40.

Gurley 39, Curry 33.

Hubertville 34, Perry County 24.

## Semi-Finals

Corner 33, Chatom 30.

Hubertville 31, Gurley 25.

## Finals

Hubertville 18, Corner 17.

## Consolation

Gurley 39, Chatom 19.

## All-State Teams

## 'A' Division

F—Milton Bolling, McGill.

F—Ben Kilborn, McGill.

C—Sammy Moore, Fayette.

G—Fien Ivey, Talladega.

—Excell Hester, Etowah.

## 'B' Division

F—Joe Mooty, Perry County.

F—Junior Jones, Frisco City.

C—Tommy Livingston, Corner.

G—Roy West, Orrville.

G—Solon Cunningham, Hubertville.

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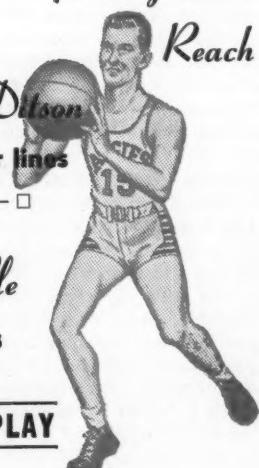
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# TEXAS ROUND-UP

By STAN LAMBERT



## FROM CARMICHAEL TO McCONACHIE: ANOTHER SPELLING LESSON

The Board of Directors of the Texas High School Coaches Association is due congratulations on the selection of L. W. (Bill) McConachie (pronounced Mac-Kon-i-hay), Director of Athletics of the El Paso Public Schools, as the new executive secretary of the Association. His selection ended a long and diligent search for exactly the right man to fill Bill Carmichael's oversized brogans. The membership of the Association owes a debt of gratitude to the Board for the time, study, and thought that it gave to this most important question.

McConachie first attracted the attention of the coaches with the highly efficient manner that he handled the details of the coaching school in El Paso last summer. The organization that he set up to take care of the school showed the handiwork of a master; his diligence and eagerness to do anything to make the school successful brought another talent to the light, and his ability to "win friends and influence people" furnished another "must" for this position. Keep in mind that he did all this before Carmichael's resignation and consequently before he ever dreamed of being a candidate for the position.

On first thought one would think that his geographical location would eliminate him from consideration. In fact, that was the first reaction of the Board; but he eliminated that objection when he revealed that his superintendent had authorized him to make as many as five trips by air on Association business at El Paso's expense. El Paso will also furnish a portion of the salary for an assistant for him. In our opinion the Board acted wisely, and we are looking forward to the office's being conducted in the same highly a-la-Carmichael manner.

## CONCERNING THE LEAGUE

Over six hundred high school baseball teams will compete this spring in the Interscholastic League's new baseball program. The League's most enthusiastic critics will have to admit that it has the organization to put on any kind of competitive program without too much trouble. With such a fine organization it seems a shame that the superintendents, who do the voting, and the coaches, who do the coaching, can't find some common ground for agreement on the rules under which the athletics are to be administered. It will probably take two or three years of using the eight-semester rule and the no-spring-practice edict to find out exactly (1) how they will affect the athletic program as a whole, and (2) how they affect football alone. Possibly by that time one of the sides can gain enough converts to get things going smoothly again. It may take that long to prove that both the anti's and the pro's of the "Big City" classification are wrong; and that the answer to the classification problem lies in the formation of a Triple-A

that will include the big cities and the larger high schools. The amateur and award rules are also due for some plain and fancy kicking around within the next few years for the right answer. This one will require some "give and take" for the sensible solution. The next five years are going to be interesting ones. We honestly believe that the Interscholastic League of 1947 and the one of 1952 will be as different as daylight and dark. We predict that this five years will see more changes than the last twenty. We have faith that the League will come out bigger and better—but the transition period will be rough on everybody in it.

## CORPUS HAS A "SYSTEM"

Whoever is picking the coaches for the Corpus Christi Buccaneers evidently subscribe to a theory that other cities might well copy. Instead of bringing in a "name" coach they look over the successful Class A coaches and select the one that suits their fancy. Their latest selection is Grady Hester who has been the big gun in Rio Grande Valley football with his Weslaco teams.

Let's look at the results of the Corpus theory. In the late 30's they brought in Harry Stiteeler from the little town of Smithville in central Texas. We don't remember all of Harry's record, but we know that his first year saw Corpus wearing the state championship crown, and another time his team was eliminated in the semi-finals of the state playoff. Harry is now head coach at Texas A & M.

Then in 1945 they went to McAllen where they found the highly successful Chatter Allen. Although he did not produce a district champion that factor certainly can't be held against a man in District 15AA. He fielded two great teams—enough for the newly-formed University of Corpus Christi to ask him to handle their football doings for them.

Now they've brought in Hester—and he'll probably do all right, too. As we said in the opening paragraph—other school boards might do well to copy the Corpus Christi formula.

## OUR FUTURE EDITORIAL POLICY

We have had several inquiries as to what our editorial policy was going to be now that we are not in high school football. Let me say with emphasis that *it will remain the same as always*. We are very conscious of the fact that this magazine is primarily the organ of high school athletics (in Texas); and we will continue to devote most of our space to high school problems and news. Our interest in the high school situation will remain keen; and we will do everything within our power to make this column readable to high school coaches. If anything the change should increase our value because it will afford us an opportunity to broaden our vision and viewpoint.

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# SCOUT REPORT

*On Coaches, Players, Officials and Fans*

By DWIGHT KEITH



## GET IT RIGHT

We know that it's not common journalistic practice to call attention to your mistakes. We suppose the reason for this is that it would take up so much space that it would crowd out any new material you might have. I suppose another theory is that your readers will discover enough mistakes without having their attention called to them. However, I have been a member of the coaching ranks longer than I have been in the publishing business and my 25 years' coaching experience comes to the surface on certain occasions and makes me ignore all rules of journalism, punctuation, grammar and etiquette. It's an old rule with most coaches to run a play over until you get it right — and that's just what I am going to do with this picture of three members of the Auburn athletic staff. (No charge, Wilbur, for the extra run.)



Reading left to right: Earl Brown, Head Football Coach; John Williamson, Freshman Line Coach; and Wilbur Hutsell, Athletic Director and Track Coach. Notice that Hutsell is spelled with 2-L's. There was an ink shortage last month and space was tight. Besides, our staff was a little uncertain of the correct spelling since it had been so long since SOUTHERN COACH AND ATHLETE had carried an article by the genial Wilbur.

Now to continue where I left off with my Auburn visit last month. Other members of the staff whom I had the pleasure of meeting were:

**Freshman Backfield Coach McCoy Hewlett**, who is the youngest member of Coach Earl Brown's staff at Auburn. A native of Birmingham, Hewlett prepped at Ramsay High School and brought his football talents to Auburn in 1941.

He was a backfield starter at the Plains in 1942, but a

broken leg put him out of action in the second game of the season.

He joined the Marines in World War II and saw service in the Pacific as a Lieutenant. He also played football and baseball at Duke during his training days.

He came back to Auburn for another season of football in 1946 and was added to Carl Voyles' staff as freshman coach upon his graduation in 1947.

He is married and has one child, a son.

**Freshman Line Coach John Williamson** is a graduate of Central State Teachers College in Edmond, Oklahoma. During his three seasons at Central he was an all-conference football, basketball, and baseball performer. In his senior year he was chosen Little All-America along with Steve Owen, currently of the New York Giants.

Williamson then coached 10 years of high school football in Oklahoma and returned to his Alma Mater as assistant athletic director for the next five years.

He was at Dartmouth as director of intramural athletics during the war and served on Brown's football staff there.

Before coming to Auburn, Williamson was backfield coach at Canisius.

**Line Coach Walter Marshall** was also a teammate of Brown and Murphy at Notre Dame. He was an outstanding guard on the Irish elevens of 1935-'36-'37.

Following his graduation in 1938, Marshall coached high school football in the coal regions of Shamokin, Pa., and later joined Brown as line coach at Dartmouth.

When Brown went to Canisius in 1946, Marshall accompanied him in the capacity of line coach.

**End Coach Shot Senn** was a member of Auburn's undefeated team of 1932. He coached high school football in Alabama until 1945 when he was appointed end coach for the Auburn Tigers under Carl Voyles.

In 1947 he returned to the Big Five in Birmingham where he had a highly successful season as head coach at Phillips High School.

**Backfield Coach Johnny Murphy** was a teammate of Brown's at Notre Dame, but graduated one year earlier. He played end and halfback for the Layden-coached teams of 1935-'36-'37.

After graduation, Murphy coached at Endicott, N. Y., High School for eight years. During that time he developed three undefeated football teams.

For the past two years he has served as head football coach at the Holy Trinity School in Chicago, Illinois.

He is married and has two children.

**Danny Doyle** is Basketball Coach and I will give you the low-down on him in a later edition. I may hold out for a basketball article on this. Get your pencil sharpened, Danny. And, oh, yes! there's Mrs. Billie Sandlin — as is true at so many places (Southern Coach and Athlete, for example) — the office could not operate without her. I cannot give you a biographical sketch on Mrs.

Sandlin. I can only report what I saw. She was courteous, efficient and has a genuine interest in sports — particularly where Auburn is involved.

**Larry Dodd** is named Head Football Coach at Russell High School of East Point, Georgia. Larry is a Hapeville boy and a graduate of the University of Georgia. He succeeds R. L. Bowen, who will continue to serve as Athletic Director.

**Fletcher Groves**, 180 pound guard, from Tampa, has been elected Captain of the 1948 football team of the University of Florida.

Quarterback Doug Belden was named Alternate Captain.

**Pete Cawthon** writes that he has just returned from Texas where he bought 20 Texas cowboy ponies for the Boys' Camp in Virginia. Pete is a Texan and is going to see to it that every boy in his camp has the opportunity to ride a pony every day — and at no extra cost to the camper.

**Percy Beard**, University of Florida Track Coach and former Olympic high hurdle champion, has been assisting Baseball Manager Ki Ki Cuylar with the Atlanta Cracker players in their spring training drills. Beard is helping put more speed in the 1948 Cracker club.

**Mike Cooley**, University of Georgia Center, has been named to the coaching staff of Augusta Military Academy of Staunton, Virginia. Cooley, a native of Decatur, Georgia, has played center for the Georgia Bulldogs for the past four seasons.

**Pat McHugh**, former Georgia Tech Halfback, who starred with the Philadelphia Eagles last season, is the father of a month old son.

**Buddy Bowen**, of Ole Miss, received the Jacobs Blocking Trophy, awarded annually to the best blocker in the Southeastern Conference.

**Nick Ognovich**, of Wake Forest, received the same award in the Southern Conference.

**Red Harrison**, of the University of South Carolina, was winner of the trophy for the state of South Carolina.

#### MET HERE AND THERE

**Hap Perry**, who is doing an excellent job as Secretary of the North Carolina High School Association.

**Bill Brannin**, who has done big things for Central High School of Charlotte, N. C., and is now letting the entire state lay claim on his talents, as he is President of the North Carolina Coaches' Association.

**Henry Madden**, who has had marked success as coach of all sports at Wilson, N. C., High School.

**Tony Simeon**, whose high point team was the class of the North Carolina AA basketball tournament.

**Bill Dole**, whose football team was the scourge of the Tarheel State last season. Bill was Chairman of the North Carolina AA tournament committee.

**Paul Sykes**, of Durham High School, who has more championships to his credit than anyone in the Tarheel State.

**Leon Brogden**, veteran coach at New Hanover High School, of Wilmington, N. C., and his capable aid, **Tom Davis**.

**Stan Cropley**, Bill Brannin's right-hand man, who coaches the Central High Cagers.

**Bob Jamieson**, a good coach and fine all-around fellow from Greensboro, North Carolina.

**Price Leeper**, coach of Gastonia and Secretary of the North Carolina Coaches' Association.

**Dan Hill, Eddie Cameron, Dumpy Haigler**, and

**Herschel Caldwell**, of the Duke staff.

**Duke University** was host to the North Carolina AA High School tournament while **University of North Carolina** played a similar role to the Class A and B tournaments.

**Fletcher Ferguson**, a University of North Carolina graduate and former coach at Hugh Morson High School at Raleigh, N. C., is now at Collegiate School of New Haven, Conn. Collegiate School won 21 out of 27 basketball games this season, winning the northern division title in the Eastern Prep and Private School Tournament.

**"Bo" Lewis**, at the Southeastern Conference in Louisville. Remember those delicious Lewis pies his mother used to make in Tuscaloosa? Bo now operates a restaurant at Birmingham.

**S. B. Arterburn** and **John Head**, with the Sporting Goods Department of Sutcliffe, in Louisville. Arterburn still plays a good game of tennis. His daughter is also an outstanding player — was third ranking when she was in competition.

Sutcliffe now is in its 52nd year — has plans for expansion.

**A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc.**, announce plans for moving their New York District Offices from 19 Beekman Street, New York 8, N. Y., to 161 Sixth Avenue, New York 13, N. Y. The change will be made about April 15.

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#### WHICH IS SAFER — PLANE OR TRAIN?

One of our Southern college coaches elected to make the trip to the Southeastern Conference basketball tournament in Louisville by plane, despite the fact that flying conditions were very unfavorable. He probably was unable to get space on the Pullman which left Atlanta the same day (though reports are persistent that certain other people were able to get entire sections). We doubt that the plane trip was safer for his person, but we do agree that it was safer for his pocketbook. Our friend coach risked life and limb to avoid riding up on the train with a certain gentleman who is known in certain quarters as the Dean of Gin Rummy.

#### TEXAS ROUND-UP

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#### JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETICS

What the high schools lose by the eight-semester rule the junior colleges stand a chance to gain because the schools in our conference have a high school division that will enable a non-graduate to attend the high school classes and play for the junior college. Any of you coaches with nine-semester fullbacks that know where the opponents' goal line is located, or linemen that we could teach where our goal line is, might find it profitable to contact some of the coaches in this league. We have not been on the job long enough to know the names of the schools in this conference; but ours can be located right under our by-line at the head of this column. That ain't advertising, either! Didn't we give the other coaches the same break that we gave ourselves by not mentioning any names?

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